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Work finally gets underway on long-awaited redevelopment project

COUNCIL HAILS 'NEW DAWN' FOR TOWN!

Report by **Henry James**

BUILDING work has finally begun this week on the long-awaited town centre redevelopment which West Lancs Council is hailing as a "new dawn for Skelmersdale."

Builders arrived on site on Monday (January 20) to start construction work on the scheme which the local authority believes will "breathe new life" into the area by bringing significant investment and new jobs.

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper also welcomed the start of work on the project which council chiefs say will provide benefits for the whole of the borough, not just Skelmersdale.

Phase one will see new shops created to house Lidl and B&M Bargains stores, along with another retail unit. There will also be a "fantastic" new play area in Tawd Valley Park and a new high street will be provided to link West Lancashire College with the rest of the town centre. Enhancements will also be made to the public areas outside Skelmersdale Library.

The council says that while construction work is taking place on phase one, plans will also start to be developed for future phases and the residents of Skelmersdale and the borough as a whole will be consulted on these in due course.

The town centre redevelopment scheme is a partnership between the borough council, Homes England and developer St. Modwen, and is supported by the Lancashire Local Enterprise Partnership.

Councillor Ian Moran, council leader and cabinet member for regeneration, said: "This is a special day for the people of Skelmersdale as building work begins to make our new town centre a reality.

Pictured at the launch of the town centre redevelopment project are St. Modwen senior asset manager, Paul Brustad; MP Rosie Cooper; council leader, Ian Moran; West Lancs Council chief operating officer, Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey; St. Modwen development director, Alex Jaques; and Caddick Construction project manager, Arthur Dawe,

"Over the coming months the town centre development will take shape and we can all look forward to the day when we start shopping in these stores and our children are enjoying the play area.

"I want to thank everyone at West Lancashire Borough Council, St. Modwen, Homes England and all our other partners who have helped make this happen. The scheme proves how ambitious the council is for the economy of Skelmersdale and West Lancashire as a whole."

Speaking to the Champion, Cllr. Moran commented:

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Victim Alex Davies

Alex Davies murder accused named

THE teenager accused of the murder of 18-year-old Alex Davies from Skelmersdale has been named as Brian Healless from Chorley.

Alex's body was found in a wooded area of Parbold Hill on May 1 last year.

A post-mortem examination declared the cause of death to be stab wounds and asphyxiation. A few days later Healless, who was 17 at the time, was arrested and charged with murder.

He could not be identified at earlier hearings due to a court order because of his age, but has since turned 18.

Judge Mark Brown, Recorder of Preston, revoked an order banning the press from naming the defendant during a brief hearing, at which Healless was not present, at Preston Crown Court.

Healless, who has pleaded not guilty to murder and possession of a bladed article, is due to stand trial on Wednesday, March 11.

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Man, 32, arrested after report of alleged rape on university campus

A SKELMERSDALE man has been arrested following a report of an alleged rape at Edge Hill University.

A spokesperson for Lancashire Police said: "We were called at around 3.30am on Sunday January 12 to reports a woman aged in her 20s had been raped at an address on the Edge Hill University campus.

"A 32-year-old man from Skelmersdale has since been arrested on suspicion of rape and has been bailed pending further enquiries.

"At this time we believe the parties involved were known to each other."

Police issue photo of car break-ins suspect

POLICE have issued this image *(right)* of a man wanted in connection with breaking into cars in Aughton.

Posting on social media Ormskirk and Burscough Police, wrote: "In the early hours of January 14 this male, in company with two others, broke into several vehicles in the Aughton area.

"If you can help identify this male or have any information that may help please contact 1081@lancashire.pnn.police.uk or phone 101 quoting log number LC-20200114-1252.

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Student's story brings back painful memories of flesh-eating bug

Pensioner who lost his arm to necrotising fasciitis wants to warn others about the dangers of gardening without gloves

Report by **Henry James**

Brian Lord who lost his left arm to the flesh-eating bug necrotising fasciitis.

A COUPLE have spoken out about their experiences with the flesh-eating bug necrotising fasciitis after reading about an Edge Hill University student who 'came back from the brink' after being bitten by a mosquito.

Brian Lord, who now lives in Skelmersdale, tragically lost his arm when it became infected with the flesh-eating bug after he had been handling compost while planting tomatoes in a new greenhouse at their then home in Skegness.

Since the incident, which happened in 2009, Brian and his wife Jacqueline, who are both in their 70s, have been spreading the message on the importance of wearing gloves while in the garden.

The couple had read the story in the Champion about Donna Cox who was lucky to survive the flesh-eating bug and wanted to warn other keen gardeners of the dangers.

Jacqueline said: "It was reading the story about the Edge Hill student that brought it home to us.

"Brian had been planting tomatoes and was not wearing gloves. He then travelled across to Pemberton to take his mum to hospital.

"After stopping at the service station for a break he felt really ill and cold but he carried on to his mum's home.

"Later though our son had to take him to hospital as his hand had swelled up massively.

"He was treated at the Royal Albert Edward Infirmary where they said he had a severe case of necrotising fasciitis. Apparently the bug had entered through a pore in his skin between his fingers.

"The doctors managed to save his life but tragically he had to have his left arm amputated.

"Some people give the NHS a bad name, but the hospital staff are very caring people. They really looked after him at Wigan.

"For Brian, who had retired just before this, life changed dramatically. There are so many things that you take for granted, like driving a car, which he now can't do. Our son has been a great help though.

"After this we went round the garden centres spreading the message about the importance of wearing gloves when you are doing the composting.

"We even appeared on the BBC TV programme *Look North*.

"It is so important that people wear gloves when gardening. You can pick them up for as little as £1."

Council agrees £103,000 funding for improvements to Tawd Valley Park

WEST Lancashire Borough Council's cabinet has agreed that £103,590 of S106 monies can be used to make improvements to the Tawd Valley Park.

The decision was made at a meeting of the authority on Tuesday, January 14.

Under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 contributions can be sought from developers towards the costs of providing community and social infrastructure, the need for which has arisen as a result of a new development taking place.

The council has said the funding of £103,590 has been made available from the development of land at Whalleys in Ashurst (Whalleys 2).

Following "a wide consultation process", which included ward councillors, a masterplan for environmental improvements to Tawd Valley Park has been produced and adopted by the council.

While some funding from the initial S106 allocation of £175,622 is still available, to enable the programme to be developed would require a sum of £279,000. Therefore it is has been agreed that the sum of £103,590 of S106 monies be used to develop the full programme of work at the Tawd. These include a Mountain Bike Course and Cycleway Extension.

In a report for the meeting, Heidi McDougall, corporate director of place and community, stated: "Together these improvements will contribute towards making Tawd Valley Park a more attractive, accessible and enjoyable place to visit for the residents of Skelmersdale and West Lancashire.

Tawd Valley Park.

"It will make a considerable contribution to the implementation of the Tawd Valley Park masterplan, which in turn will contribute towards improving the health of the community."

The report went on to look at the health and wellbeing implications of the project adding: "The availability of this funding will allow schemes to be undertaken which will greatly increase the availability of outdoor recreation and its impact on physical health and wellbeing of the community."

The site of the new development.

Work finally starts on town centre scheme

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Helping to get the redevelopment work underway are Skelmersdale East County Councillor John Fillis, Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Gaynar Owen and and council leader, Councillor Ian Moran.

"I have had a long, frustrating four years working on this scheme. We are finally there now. We can now get phase one done and then start talking to Skelmersdale about the next phase.

"Phase one starts today with tree and ground clearance and work will begin to fence the site off. We will be getting the workers on site also. This is a very sustainable project and we have carried out a full business plan to get to this stage. We will be the owners of it and it will be paid for by the rents received."

St. Modwen development director, Alex Jaques said: "St. Modwen is proud to be involved in this scheme to develop Skelmersdale town centre and we are delighted that construction work has begun on site."

Rosie Cooper commented: "It's been a very frustrating project, which has driven me and the residents of Skelmersdale completely mad because it has taken so long to get to this point. It has changed many times.

"I am really glad that it is beginning. It is phase one and I am looking forward to the other phases happening much more quickly.

Visions

"I want to thank everyone who has been involved in getting this going, but I think it is a poor reflection that it has taken 14 years to get here.

"We now need to get night-time economy into Skelmersdale. We need some restaurants and we do need the cinema. We need it to be vibrant. Today is the start of it actually beginning."

Asked if the project could operate side-by-side with the Concourse, the MP added: "The Concourse is going to have to invest into their building to make it vibrant. Schemes like this will bring people into the town. A total of 90 per cent of the available money for Skelmersdale is spent outside of Skelmersdale, because there is not an attractive offer here.

"This is the start of Skelmersdale developing into a real town as opposed to a one-building town centre. This is the 21st century. We need 21st century answers.

"Skelmersdale has had more visions than St Bernadette. Those visions have been changing but at least today one of those visions is starting. Be under no illusion, it is not the end, it is not the whole answer but at least that vision is beginning.

"We have now got to get the railway station here. People will be able to go to the theatre in Liverpool, Manchester or Wigan and come home without having to pay ridiculous amounts for taxis."

The new scheme is expected to be completed in late spring 2021.

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Fourfold fundraiser in memory of Halle

Charity event tribute to Edge Hill student

Report by **Tom Martin**

FOUR back-to-back fundraising charity events will be held in memory of a former Edge Hill University student almost a year to the day after she died from meningitis.

Halle O'Brien passed away on January 27 last year after falling ill on a night out - despite 12 hours of constant treatment from doctors.

It was later found that the 19-year-old from Litherland had died from Group A streptococcal septicaemia, which caused her to contract meningitis.

Halle, who was studying an English Literature course at the Ormskirk university, will be remembered at a special tribute called 'Lumiere, Love Halle' on Sunday, January 26.

Flamboyant

This will be held at the District venue on Jamaica Street, Liverpool and will feature four consecutive separate events as follows:

1. Family Rave (11am to 1pm): Under-10s and accompanying adults will enjoy dance music, face painting, glow sticks and crafts.

2. Forever Young (1.30 to 3.30pm): Liverpool-based DJ Louie Smith will host an under-18s rave.

3. Back to the Old School (4.30 to 6.30pm): Radio City DJ Lee Butler and fellow DJ Ian Redman will host two hours featuring 90s dance classics.

4. After Dark: (8pm to late): A line-up featuring Yousef (Circus), Nautica (solid groove/divine sounds), Matty Alma, Tom Moran and Tom Ewart.

Tickets are being sold separately for each event and can be bought by visiting www.skiddle.com and searching for 'Lumiere: Love Halle'.

Halle's mum, Heather, told the Champion: "The name was chosen from one of Halle's favourite

Halle (left) with mum Heather.

Beauty and the Beast characters (Lumiere) because his character is very similar to her personality - flamboyant and always loving to be centre of attention!

"The 'Love Halle' part came from a lot of her friends and family having this tattooed in Halle's handwriting from cards they had received from her.

"The charities we are supporting are Meningitis Now, Love, Jasmine and Rescue Me. We will also have raffles with many prizes. Tickets are available to buy from Gordon Shorts chemist, College Road, Crosby and a list of prizes will be on the Lumiere, Love Halle Facebook page.

"There will also be a sports auction with signed Mo Salah and Virgil van Dijk shirts, signed Everton shirts and balls and boxing gloves signed by the champion Smith brothers."

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Edge Hill lecturer in TV racism row

A LECTURER at Edge Hill found herself at centre of a public storm after clashing with the actor Laurence Fox during the BBC's *Question Time* programme last Thursday (January 16).

Rachel Boyle, a researcher on race and ethnicity at the Ormskirk university, was a member of the audience for the show, broadcast from Liverpool, and commented on the treatment of the Duchess of Sussex, Meghan Markle by the national press.

She said: "The problem we've got with this is that Meghan has agreed to be Harry's wife and then the press have torn her to pieces. Let's be really clear about what this is, let's call it by its name - it's racism. She's a black woman and she has been torn to pieces."

However Fox, who was a panellist on the show, responded saying: "It's not racism. We're the most tolerant, lovely country in Europe. It's so easy to just throw your charge of racism at everybody and it's starting to get boring now."

Rachel Boyle on *Question Time*.

Ms Boyle then described Fox as a "white privileged male" which led the actor, best known for his role as DS James Hathaway in TV drama series *Lewis*, to label her as racist.

Following the programme, Ms Boyle wrote on her Twitter account: "Fell out with Laurence Fox but called the treatment of Meghan Markle what it is - racism."

She added: "I am appalled by the argument presented to me by this man!

"At no point did I call him racist, I said that his viewpoint is informed by his white privileged position - and he didn't like it."

A spokesperson for Edge Hill University told the Champion: "The member of staff who featured on Question Time was not appearing as a representative of Edge Hill University, nor was she speaking on behalf of the university, she was there as a member of the public.

"There was no mention of the university in the programme.

"As a member of the public she is entitled to voice her own opinion and as a university we respect and acknowledge the right to freedom of speech."

Police concerns for missing 13-year-old

POLICE are concerned about the welfare of 13-year-old Josh O'Brien, who is missing from his home address in Skelmersdale.

He was last seen at the Co-op on Moor Road, Chorley on Tuesday, January 14 at 6pm.

Josh is described as a white male, 5ft 5in tall, with short, ginger hair and of a slim build.

When he was last seen he was wearing a green and black waterproof jacket and black tracksuit pants.

Although Josh lives in the Skelmersdale area, he has friends and associates in Chorley.

A spokesperson for Lancashire Police wrote on social media: "We are now concerned for Josh's welfare and are appealing for your help to find him.

"If you have seen him or have any information, please call us on 101 quoting log reference LC-20200114-1439.

Josh O'Brien.

"Likewise, we would like to appeal directly to Josh should he see this post, please contact us so we can make sure you are safe."

Cabinet approval for S106 funds to be used to upgrade Tanhouse games area

WEST Lancs Council cabinet have approved the use of £32,169 worth of Section 106 funding to make improvements "in and around" the multi-use games area (MUGA) at Ennerdale, Tanhouse.

Under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 contributions can be sought from developers towards the costs of providing community and social infrastructure, the need for which has arisen as a result of a new development taking place.

The funding was agreed at a meeting of the authority on Tuesday, January 14.

A report for the meeting said that the games was in "distinct need" of improvement and the proposal is to resurface it with a 3G artificial grass surface, install floodlighting, and improve the access and landscaping around the facility.

The project has been costed at £76,169, which will be made available from various sources some of which have not been confirmed. The £32,169 can only be used on this project if the other sources are confirmed.

The S106 money of £32,169 has been received from developers and should be used in the Tanhouse ward of Skelmersdale.

Heidi McDougall.

The council hope that once the work is completed it will, "allow for a much wider range of uses for all ages, in particular schemes like the Street Games project which was commissioned by the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) and the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner and commenced this year providing positive activity for 12 to 16-year-olds.

"This would be complemented by a range of other community based recreational programmes, organised by the council, Tanhouse Community Enterprise from the adjacent community centre, and other community-based groups."

In her report for the meeting Heidi McDougall, the council's corporate director of place and community highlighted the benefits of the scheme. She wrote: "Improvements to facilities that will enable increased physical activity will help to promote a healthier local community.

"Providing diversionary activities in deprived areas to improve community safety will also have an impact on the mental wellbeing of the local community through reductions in crime and fear of crime.

"Implementation of these improvements will be a great asset to the local community but will have to be maintained effectively to continue that benefit."

Pensioner calls for council to clean up 'litter-strewn' shopping parade

'If it was Ormskirk it would have been done ages ago but because it's Digmoor nobody cares'

A SKELMERSDALE pensioner is calling for West Lancs Council to do something about the litter on Digmoor Shopping Parade.

David Carter, who lives in Birleywood, near to the parade, contacted the Champion with his concerns, demanding immediate action.

He said: "I am absolutely fed up with the litter on Digmoor Shopping Parade. There are chip papers, carrier bags, and beer cans just dumped on the road. Even used baby nappies are just thrown on the floor as well. Nobody seems to care about the area.

"If the shops were not convenient, I would not go near the place. At the moment, I go there daily to pay the bills and pick up groceries.

"The people who drop the litter have no thought for other people. There are not enough litter bins. My neighbour goes round and picks the litter up herself as you have to wait so long for the council to do it. She shouldn't have to do that though. We pay our council tax so the council should come and pick it up.

"I am sick of getting in touch with the council about it and nothing getting done. I was visited by someone from Street Scene about it, and also received an assurance by a previous chief executive promising that work would be done, but nothing has happened. We just want them to listen.

Discussed

"I worked for the council myself, and I know that if it had been in Ormskirk the area would have been cleaned up 'ages ago' but because it is Digmoor nobody cares."

A spokesman for West Lancashire Borough Council commented: "We appreciate Mr Carter's concerns and have discussed these matters with him as well as taking a walk around the area with him.

"Digmoor Parade is swept every day and we would encourage people to dispose of their litter appropriately to help keep our streets and shopping areas clean, either by using a litter bin if one is nearby or taking it home and putting it in their household bin.

"We have staff who can issue fixed penalty notices for £75 when they observe people dropping litter and take action through the courts if the penalty notice is not paid.

"Residents can help us tackle litter issues by reporting them online atwww.westlancs.gov.uk. Please give full details including address or location and type of rubbish."

County council reports 'much-improved' financial position

LANCASHIRE County Council chiefs say the authority has a 'much-improved financial position, thanks to careful management of its finances in recent years.'

A report to the cabinet has provided an update on the council's 2019/20 financial position and the medium term forecast for the next four years.

And, based on the current forecast, the council says it won't need to use any financial reserves to support its revenue budget in 2020/21 or 2021/22.

Council leader, County Councillor Geoff Driver, said: "This is good news. In 2017, we faced a deficit of £200m, which quite frankly would have brought us close to collapse if we hadn't taken some big decisions.

"Whilst we still have a lot of work to do, we have managed to put the council on a solid and sustainable financial base, which means that we can invest in important council services for the benefit of Lancashire people."

Based on the most-likely funding scenario, the authority say its funding gap is forecast to be £28m by 2023/24 - a significant reduction from the previous forecast gap of £65m by 2022/23.

Cllr. Driver added: "Protecting our most vulnerable residents is a priority for us and the changes in our population mean that there is continued pressure on the council's budget, and particularly on adults and children's social care.

"We've included the most up-to-date demand forecasts in our planning, but of course any further increase would clearly add additional pressure to future years.

"Savings of over £58m between 2020 and 2023 have already been identified and although we still need to reduce the deficit even further it's a significant improvement from where we were in 2017."

In the Government's provisional funding settlement, the Chancellor announced that councils will have access to new social care funding of £1.5bn in 2020/21. This consists of grant funding and up to a 2% adult social care precept.

Support

Net savings of £10m by 2025/26 are forecast to be delivered by the adoption of the Lancashire family safeguarding model, which provides wrap around support for vulnerable families to try and keep children safe in their own homes, following a successful bid for funding from the Department for Education.

The provisional local government finance settlement for 2020/21 announced on December 20 was largely in line with council estimates from October, and included both the continuation of the revenue support grant and significant additional funding for social care.

These figures are expected to be confirmed towards the end of January as part of the Government's final settlement announcement. However the settlement is only for one year with a multi-year spending review planned for later in the year.

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‘People’s Honour’ award for charity champ Carolyn

THE clerk of Wrightington Parish Council, Carolyn Cross will receive a British Citizen Award at the Palace of Westminster tomorrow (Thursday, January 23) in recognition of her volunteering and charity work.

After losing her mother to cancer and twice battling the disease herself, Carolyn has been a dedicated supporter of Cancer Research, raising more than £120,000 for the charity over the last nine years.

She also gives talks in local schools to raise awareness among the younger generation, as well as visiting cancer patients to offer support. And she arranges community events to bring people together in the rural areas in which she works with the aim of reducing social isolation and exclusion.

Among fundraising events she helps to organise is an annual Big Gig which raises thousands of pounds and features musicians from all over the world. Carolyn’s husband and son, who are both musicians, also take part.

Now in their fifth year, the British Citizen Awards - dubbed the ‘People’s Honours’ - recognise exceptional individuals throughout the country who positively impact their local communities.

Carolyn Cross who is set to receive a British Citizen Award.

On learning about the award, a “shocked” Carolyn said: “It is extremely humbling to know that what I do has made such a difference to people’s lives” adding that family, friends and her “little army of volunteers” also deserved recognition for their support

Sentencing date set for restaurant burglars caught following helicopter chase

TWO men arrested following a police chase across West Lancashire, including the use of a helicopter, have pleaded guilty to the burglary of an Ormskirk restaurant.

Three intruders broke into The Spitroast at The Stiles early on Monday, January 6 but two police officers were quickly on the scene after being alerted by students in living accommodation above the restaurant.

One of the burglars fled the scene and, after a struggle with an officer, the other two escaped in a car.

A chase ensued, involving a police helicopter, and the pair were finally apprehended at an address in Kirkby.

Appearing at Preston Magistrates Court on Wednesday, January 8, Lee Brown, 26, of Muirhead Avenue, West Derby, admitted three burglary offences, dangerous driving, driving without insurance, failing to stop, driving while disqualified and handling stolen goods.

His co-accused, Kurtis Nelson, also 26, of Kemsley Road, Dovecot, pleaded guilty to three burglary offences and assault with intent to resist arrest.

The other burglary offences relate to a break-in at a Costa coffee outlet on Sunday, January 5 and at the Posthouse Bar in Wigan on Monday, January 6.

They were remanded in custody to be sentenced at Preston Crown Court on Monday, February 10.

The Spitroast restaurant in Ormskirk.

A spokesperson for the Spitroast said all the tills were stolen in the raid but later recovered, while doors and a window were damaged.

The spokesperson also praised police and neighbouring businesses, saying: “The police were absolutely fantastic, the response time was just brilliant. The officer who entered the building put up a great fight against them.

“And our neighbours were great as well. After the incident they all came to see that we were OK and to see if we needed anything. We are a new business we have only been here six months.

“It was a shock because Ormskirk is a quiet town, but the sense of community afterwards was just great.

“We have got a great team and everybody helped out and cleaned up as there was quite a bit of damage. Then it was business as usual on Tuesday. You would never have known anything had happened.”

The Spitroast opened last year following a £1.5m redevelopment of the historic 17th-century Buck i’th Vine pub on Burscough Street and the Grade II listed barn at the rear.

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County council agrees proposals to increase provision for pupils with special educational needs

LANCASHIRE County Council’s cabinet has agreed a number of proposals to increase the provision for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities in the county.

It is expected that at least another 213 special school places will be needed within the next five years.

The county council is investing an additional £10m to support children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: “It is important that children with special educational needs and disabilities are able to have the most appropriate school place, and we are fully committed to achieving this.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson.

“The reality is that we are facing an increasing demand for places. In this context the actions that we have agreed to take will go some way towards addressing the need for more special school places in certain parts of the county, and maximise the resources that we have available.”

Among the options being taken forward following the cabinet meeting on Thursday (January 16) is the establishment of 12 primary and 12 secondary SEND units attached to mainstream schools, including in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale.

Lancashire County Council has already committed an additional £6.5m to provide much-needed provision for children and young people with SEND.

The authority says parents will be kept fully informed of any proposals which go forward.

Hospital staff pull out all the stops to boost bed numbers

HEALTH chiefs have praised hard-working staff from both Ormskirk and Southport who hospitals worked tirelessly to reopen under-utilised space at Ormskirk.

This has created additional beds at Southport and will help to reduce the amount of waiting time for some patients being admitted from A&E.

The results of the changes are as follows:

• A reconfiguration of E, F, G and H wards at Ormskirk has enabled Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust to open a new, fully-refurbished 14-bed Orthopaedic Rehabilitation unit on H ward at Ormskirk. This has freed up 16 beds for acutely ill patients at Southport

• Last month, some of Southport's physiotherapy outpatient team moved to A Ward at Ormskirk, creating an additional 11 escalation beds at Southport on Ward One

Ormskirk Hospital where under-utilised space has been reopened thanks to hard-working trust staff.

Enthusiasm

Trust chief operating officer, Steve Christian, explained: "Last year we invested heavily in our emergency department at Southport Hospital and this helped us to achieve our best winter performance for some time.

"However, early signs indicated that this winter was going to be one of the toughest across the NHS, so we developed a plan to better use space at Ormskirk, therefore creating more capacity at Southport.

"There was an incredible amount of work to be done, and I have been overwhelmed with the enthusiasm and team work shown by all - domestics, porters, the catering team, builders, project managers, ward staff, nurses, medics, therapists, both medical and non-medical support staff . . . the list is very long!

"We are incredibly grateful to all those who helped us make these changes happen in a very short time frame.

"The new orthopaedic rehabilitation unit at Ormskirk was full within 24 hours, and our first patients have been very happy with the service.

" Our amazing staff have tackled the changes with endless energy and enthusiasm, and I would like to thank them all for pulling together as a team at this most challenging time of year."

Princess Anne set to visit Parbold scheme a year after original trip was postponed

HER Royal Highness, Princess Anne, will be visiting an equestrian centre in Parbold to hear about a new scheme which uses rescue horses to help young people back into education, training or employment

The Princess Royal had been scheduled to visit Parbold Equestrian Centre last year after opening the new Catalyst centre at Edge Hill University, but the event was cancelled due to "adverse weather conditions."

She will be visiting the Bradshaw Lane site tomorrow (Thursday, January 23) where, after being given a tour of the centre, she will meet members of RSPCA and the charity British Horse Society (BHS), as well as young people signed up to the scheme.

The charity's Changing Lives through Horses scheme aims to help both neglected horses, rescued by the RSPCA, and young people who are Not in Education, Employment or Training.

Princess Anne, an accomplished horsewoman who competed at the 1976 Olympics in the equestrian three-day event, is vice-president of the BHS.

The Parbold Equestrian Centre is a BHS Approved riding school and is one of the first centres to rehome horses from the RSPCA.

Joshua strikes gold in county reading challenge

SIX-year-old Joshua Haeger is the latest book-loving youngster to successfully complete the Lancashire Reading Trail challenge at Skelmersdale Library.

A pupil at St Thomas the Martyr CE Primary in Up Holland, Joshua was presented with his book choice and a gold certificate by staff at the library in Southway for reading 50 books.

A library spokesperson said: "Well done Joshua on a fantastic achievement!"

The Lancashire Reading Trail is a county-wide challenge that encourages children up to the age of 12 to read more.

For details about the trail and how to get involved, visit www.lancashire.gov.uk or pop in to your local local library.

Joshua Haeger with his certificate and prize book.

Chloe Wittle (centre) with students at West Lancashire College.

College hairdressing students get a head start in creative colour techniques

STAFF and students at West Lancashire College were delighted to welcome Chloe Wittle, a creative technical educator from Salon Promotions, to the Skelmersdale site.

Chloe delivered a Creative Colour workshop to some of the college's hairdressing students and learners were given the opportunity to transfer their newly-acquired knowledge within the practical workshop, demonstrating current techniques in industry, while using the Neal & Wolf professional products.

The college says employers are key to shaping qualifications so that when students qualify they are industry-ready.

And the college aims to link students to careers of the future by working alongside employers to help them to create a work ready pipeline for the future.

Relevant

A spokesperson for the college said: "If you are a local business owner and would like to work with the college to support the development of qualifications and skills relevant to your sector, the college would welcome the opportunity for a discussion. Please contact Jane Hines, head of marketing & business development on 01695 52316.

"The hairdressing industry in our region is set to grow, with an increase of 843 additional jobs over the next seven years, so it's a great time to train for one of the many careers available - whether you want to become a stylist, colour specialist, barber, teacher or salon owner."

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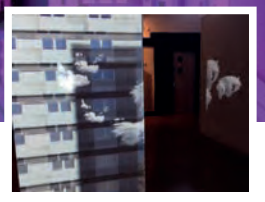

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Fracking fight goes on

Campaigners fear moratorium could be lifted

A CAMPAIGN group is reminding the public that the fight against plans to frack at Altcar Moss is not over and is calling on people to make their objections known to Lancashire County Council

Report by **Kenny Parker**

Although the Government imposed a moratorium on the fracking industry last year, following safety concerns raised by a report from Oil and Gas Authority, Aurora Energy Resources still submitted its application to explore and frack for shale gas at Altcar Moss.

And Moss Alliance action group member Maureen Mills fears the company is banking on the moratorium being lifted.

The OGA report said it was not possible to rule out "unacceptable" consequences for those living near fracking sites, or to predict the magnitude of earthquakes which might be triggered by the process.

A deadline for comments on Aurora's planning application has already passed but the county council has now given a new deadline of Monday, February 24 for comments after further information was received by Aurora in response to questions.

The extra information covers issues such as the intended height of the drilling rig of the well site, Green Belt incursion, ecology, seismicity, highways, archaeology and groundwater/surface water and air quality.

The county council has confirmed it has already received more than 700 objections to the plans with just two submissions in favour.

West Lancs borough councillor Maureen Mills, who is also chair of Halsall Against Fracking, said: "Unfortunately there are lots of folk who believe that fracking has gone away because of the moratorium, but that is only on the OGA-issued fracking permits.

"Aurora is pressing ahead with its planning application to explore and frack at Altcar Moss and apparently will worry about the permit to frack later - no doubt banking on the moratorium being lifted"

A statement released by Moss Alliance said members were digesting the new information with a view to submitting further objections to the application. They are also considering holding further public meetings during February to brief supporters.

The statement added: "This would provide a further opportunity for the general public to sign the Moss Alliance petition against the development and discuss their responses.

"The petition already has about 6,000 signatures. We are asking residents who oppose the application, and have not yet responded to please do so as soon as possible."

Aurora has declined to comment.

Chairwoman of Halsall Against Fracking, Councillor Maureen Mills.

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Credit card gambling ban

PEOPLE will be banned from using credit cards to place bets under new plans to help curb gambling problems.

The Gambling Commission has welcomed the ban, which will start on April 14, after it was revealed that 22% of online gamblers using credit cards are classed as 'problem gamblers'.

Gambling Commission chief executive, Neil McArthur, said: " The ban that we have announced should minimise the risks of harm to consumers from gambling with money they do not have."

The ban will apply to all online and offline gambling products except lotteries that are run for good causes. These lotteries will have to provide a significant layer of additional protection to vulnerable people.

The commission said that tickets for these lotteries, as well as for the National Lottery, can be bought using credit cards in supermarkets and newsagents, as long as they are purchased with other products.

Councillor accuses county and Government of underfunding roads in West Lancashire

COUNTY Councillor John Fillis has accused the Conservative-led Lancashire County Council and the Government of underfunding roads in West Lancashire.

The Skelmersdale East councillor, who is also deputy leader of the Labour group on the authority, said the Government's own figures show the 36 shire counties were only able to spend £20,885 per mile on road repairs, pothole filling, and constructing new junctions and networks last year, while in contrast, the 31 councils in London were able to spend £62,350 per mile.

Report by **Henry James**

And he added that while the 36 urban metropolitan councils spent £41,929 per mile, England's eight 'core cities' were in a position to invest £57,241 per mile.

He said: "It comes as no surprise to the people of West Lancashire that there has been under-investment in their roads.

"This is a Conservative county council and a Conservative government. Together they are under-investing in Lancashire's roads and don't we all know it."

Cllr. Fillis said that the Transport Asset Management Plan (TAMP) introduced by the previous Labour administration had moved away from the old 'worst first system' to 'defect prevention' and began the roll out of its 'surface dressing' programme.

And he claimed that during this period the Conservative Government had identified Lancashire as being in the top three councils in the country for highways maintenance, reaching all the repair targets set and being awarded the highest government Band Three funding.

"What we were able to do provided a solid foundation to build our highway network on. What the Conservatives have been doing is manipulating the figures and systematic manipulation to suppress the reporting of potholes and the repairs required."

Cllr. Fillis also said that residents' ability to report potholes was being restricted and pointed out that the new 'Report It' system requires members of the public to stand in the road to measure the size of the pothole.

He added: "This is why the volume of successful claims made to County Hall for damage to vehicles travelling on its road network more than doubled in the past 12 months to almost 650, costing the council £176,000 in pay-outs. Much of the claimed new funding has merely been rolled over from previous years, if spent at the right time this would have prevented many of the financial claims against the council.

"We recognise the excellent work being undertaken by our staff in repairing the roads and that the TAMP will improve the roads in the long term if financially supported. However the Conservatives are using this hard work to cover up for the underfunding in our highways. Lancashire needs real investment in its road network, the people of Lancashire deserve better."

The Conservative group at Lancashire County Council and the authority have been contacted for comment.

County Councillor John Fillis says this pothole in Up Holland is one of many in the borough as a result of underfunding by the county council and the Government.

Bidding for Euro glory...the six members of the Men-Aces who have been chosen to take part in trials for the Team GB squad.

Men-Aces six selected for Team GB Euro squad trial

SIX members of the Skem Men-Aces disability football team have been selected to take part in trials for the Team GB squad to play in the European championships in the summer.

The lads will attend a full day's training session in Yorkshire with other hopefuls from all over the country in a bid to secure a spot in the 15-man squad for the competition in Geneva in June.

Men-Aces coaches, Carl and Mim Eaton, said: "This is a fantastic honour for each and every one of them and an honour for the club and our town."

The coaches say they have worked tirelessly to give new experiences to the lads for whom football is a massive part of their lives.

They added: "The passion and pride the lads hold for the club does not go unnoticed and needs to be applauded - so let's hope a representative from our town is chosen. Good luck to them all.

"The team was set up in 2009 with just a ball and coats for goals. Since then through the years we have had triumphs and tears and some astonishing experiences.

"We aim to give the players new experience, new opportunities and a chance to meet new challenges. We hope they will grow as people and learn to respect every aspect of the game, life and themselves."

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School hopes new lab will be breeding ground for the scientists of tomorrow

Report by **Kenny Parker**

STAFF at a West Lancs primary school are hoping the latest addition to their facilities will help to produce the next generation of scientists.

Funded by both the school and the Parents and Friends Association, Ormskirk CE Primary's new science lab is kitted out with a host of equipment including microscopes, fossils, rocks, computer analysis software and an anatomical model of a human body, together with resources to study light and the solar system.

Headteacher Giles Storch said the facility will add to what the children already see and learn about the animal kingdom, with experience of tortoises, guinea pigs and dogs in the classroom and rabbits, birds and deer in the school's extensive grounds.

He added that "exciting development" comes on the back of an "excellent" Ofsted report last November and the merger of the Acorns nursery in the autumn.

The nursery, which is situated within the school building on Greetby Hill, had previously been privately run.

The Ofsted report found that: "Pupils say they love being in school. They are happy, feel safe and become enthusiastic learners.

"The school provides a nurturing, safe and stimulating environment. Skilled teachers make learning fun and interesting."

Innovative

And it added: "Parents and carers are extremely pleased with all aspects of the school. They value the 'caring attitudes' of staff and say that, leaders are always thinking about innovative ways to enhance the learning and experiences of children."

Mr Storch, who is starting his fourth year at the school, said: "The inspection rated the school at the very top end of 'good' and expectations are that the next visit the school will be graded as 'outstanding' if it carries on the way it is going.

"Children, staff and parents have all contributed to making this a very happy and forward-looking school. We keep looking for innovative ways to learn and make the most of the environment and having our own dedicated science lab will add another something extra for the new decade."

● Right: Pupils at work in the new science lab with headteacher, Giles Storch looking on.

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Consultation agreed on future of county's maintained nursery schools

LANCASHIRE County Council's cabinet has agreed to consult on the future of its maintained nursery schools following a report that four are 'financially non-viable' and 10 are 'financially vulnerable.'

The county has 24 maintained nursery schools, only one of which - Moorgate Nursery School, Ormskirk - is in West Lancs.

Although the report revealed that only 10 are financially stable, the authority has not yet named which are struggling.

However, the financial security of the whole nursery school sector is also uncertain, as supplementary funding runs out in 2021 with no commitment from the Government that it will be continued.

The county council says the public consultation is part of a 'twin-track' approach to tackling the crisis, which includes lobbying for additional early years funding, while also engaging in planning on the basis that no new funding is made available.

Despite the financial pressures, the county council says it is proud that the quality of early education in the country has been judged as high by regulator Ofsted, with 96% being rated to be 'Good' or better.

Since opening in 2001, every inspection of Moorgate has resulted in a rating of 'Outstanding.'

Because of the uncertainty regarding the availability of the supplementary maintained nursery grant in the future, the county council says it has been working with nursery schools to help to plan for their financial future. The most vulnerable have been identified and the council says it will continue to develop plans to address the known financial risks.

County Councillor Phillippa Williamson, cabinet member for children, young people and schools, said: "Despite the considerable support that we have provided over the last few years, we feel that this consultation is now necessary.

"We are fully aware of the funding pressures that are being felt by some of our maintained nursery schools.

"We have been working with them for some time now to help plan for the financial challenges that they face, whilst also trying to get more funding from the Government."

The consultation will go ahead provided the cabinet's decision has not been called in by one of the authority's scrutiny committees by 5pm on Tuesday, January 21.

Community rallies to cheer up poorly youngsters spending Christmas in hospital

Nursing staff give big thumbs-up after department is showered with gifts

STAFF at Ormskirk Hospital have thanked residents in West Lancs and Sefton for providing gifts for sick children over Christmas.

The Children's Department at the hospital was 'inundated' with donations of toys, chocolates and even two computer consoles!

Local businesses Co-Op, Iceland, Asda and Morrisons all donated to the cause.

And the Co-Op's donation was supported by customers and staff, who had bought more than 400 selection boxes. These were given to patients staying on the children's ward and those visiting A&E over the holidays.

Staff at Ormskirk Hospital with some of the gifts.

Southport Football Club took two 'much-needed' Nintendo Switch consoles and games for older patients. Three of the players popped in to make the donation and chat to young football fans in the unit.

Schools also gave their support with pupils from one school in nearby Rainford taking an 'amazing collection of toys' which were given to children who could not make it home on Christmas Day and also used to replenish the play rooms.

Westhead Primary School pupils dropped by to sing seasonal songs to staff, patients and visitors, to help create an extra-special festive atmosphere.

Chief executive of Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust, Trish Armstrong-Child, commented: "This was my first Christmas at the trust and I was delighted to see so much support from our community.

"All of this helped to lift spirits for both patients and staff, at what can be a difficult time of year for many people.

"I would like to add my sincere thanks to all our incredible staff working over the holiday period both at Ormskirk and Southport, often at the expense of their own family time.

"You are all amazing."

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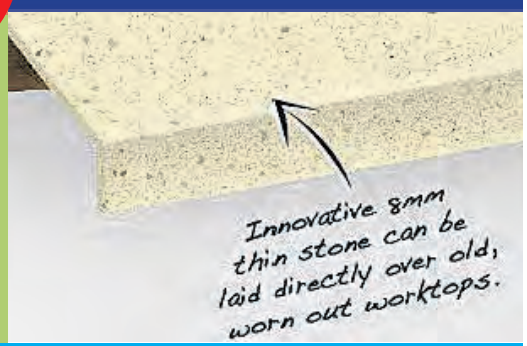

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Date set for allotments group's eighth annual Potato Day

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This year's event has been organised in conjunction with Brighter Blooms Nursery of Preston and customers will be able to choose from around 100 varieties of potatoes.

Also available will be seeds, onions, garlic, soft fruit bushes and fruit trees and the chance to discuss all things related to growing with members of the federation.

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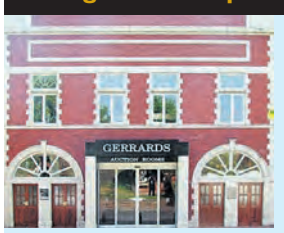

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The Bishop of Burnley Rt Rev Philip North (centre) and Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Gaynar Owen with church leaders and other guests at the 150th anniversary celebrations at St Mary the Virgin Church in Rufford.

'Songs of Praise' event held to mark church's 150th anniversary

OFFICERS from Lancashire Police were among the special guests invited to the 150th anniversary of St Mary the Virgin Church in Rufford.

Other guests and dignitaries attending the 'Songs of Praise' celebration event included the Bishop of Burnley, Right Reverend Philp North, Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Gaynar Owen and staff and pupils of Rufford CE Primary School.

Songs and hymns for the event were chosen by community organisations.

Following the celebration the church posted on social media: "Absolutely fantastic service this evening at Rufford St Mary's to celebrate the church's 150-year anniversary.

"Thank-you to our special guests, families, friends and the community, along with the school choir who sang beautifully."

Ormskirk and Burscough Police posted: "Some of our Ormskirk officers sang like angels at St Mary the Virgin in Rufford. Now they have regained their voices, they would like to give a special thanks to Rt Revd Philip North, along with Mayor Gaynar Owen and Roy Caslake [churchwarden].

"Our spirits were lifted thanks to the amazing harmonies from Rufford CE Primary and St Mary's Sunday School choir.

"Overall it was a lovely celebration of the 150th anniversary of the church's opening."

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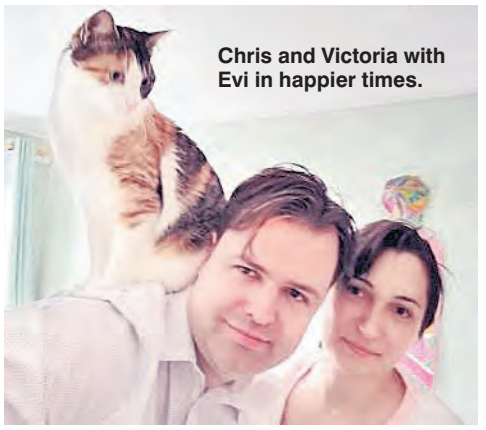
Call for compulsory microchipping and central register for cats

Grieving owner who hired detective to find missing pet says he could have been saved anguish and expense

Report by **Kenny Parker**



Chris and Victoria with Evi in happier times.

A CAT lover who hired a 'pet detective' when the family's feline friend went missing only to discover she had been killed in a road accident a short distance away is calling for all cats to be microchipped and centrally registered to save others the anguish - and expense - they faced.

Chris Haynes fell in love with his cat, Evi, when she latched onto him and his wife Victoria during a holiday in Kefalonia, Greece, in 2018.

After "moving heaven and earth" to bring her back to their home in Beechwood Drive, Ormskirk, Chris was distraught when she went missing on December 20 last year.

After all other efforts to track her down had failed, he contacted pet detective Robert Kenny. Originally from the USA but now based in Dublin, he has rescued missing pets all over the world and even helped actress Sandra Bullock recover her dog after it had been stolen.

The real life 'Ace Ventura' quickly went to work systematically ruling out all the options of what could have happened, including looking for traces of foxes in a nearby field. Sadly, Evi was found to have been run over on nearby Cottage Lane and made her way behind a fence before passing away.

Though devastating, the discovery helped to bring closure for Chris but he said he could have been saved both anguish and great expense if there had been a centralised system for microchipped cats which people could report to.

Although Evi was microchipped, he said there are at least four separate databases for cats and had there been one central register instead the driver might have alerted authorities to the injured cat. "If someone reported hitting a cat on Cottage Lane that day - even anonymously - we might have saved ourselves a lot of money and two weeks of anguish and we probably could have been notified,"

Currently there is no law requiring cats to be microchipped and registered with the local authority, as has been the case for dogs since 2016. However, the Government has recently held a consultation for evidence on the consequence of compulsory microchipping cats.

Charity Cats Protection has welcomed the move. Chief executive, James Yeates, said: "Microchipping is a safe and permanent way to give a lost cat the best chance of being returned to their home. People tell us knowing their cat is microchipped gives them reassurance and ensures they can be informed in the sad event of their pet being injured or killed on the road."

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Councillors shouldn't accept allowance rises when staff are being made redundant

A HEAD for figures and a good memory are clearly not council leader Ian Moran's strong points.

The report which councillors approved in July agreed a restructure of the council that results in 53 fewer jobs at the council - that's how most of the £1.9 million budget gap is being closed and why more than 30 staff will sadly receive redundancy notices this month.

It's wholly inaccurate to claim, as Councillor Moran did, that the restructure will create 'more than 40 new jobs.' There are 29 'new' posts in the re-structure, but these will, in the main, be the redeployment of existing staff whose old role is being abolished, not roles for new employees.

It would be crass in the extreme for councillors to be accepting any increase in allowances at the very same time as dismissing more than 30 members of staff for financial reasons. That's why Our West Lancashire have called on the Labour and Conservative groups to publish their submissions to the panel considering the matter so residents can see what they are lobbying for - the fact they won't publish speaks volumes.

There should also be no increase at this time to the special responsibility allowances paid to leader, cabinet and committee heads - more than 30% of councillors.

We've long called for the basic councillor allowance to be pegged to the Lancashire average. It's not clear why a West Lancashire councillor should receive more than a councillor in Chorley or South Ribble. If councillor pay was the same as other parts of Lancashire we could save several staff redundancies and protect some services to local residents.

I doubt the two main parties will reduce the basic allowance. After all it was Cllr. Moran's party colleagues who increased it to a record level 20 years ago, even higher than it is now. I opposed that huge increase at the time.

The rate that I helped to set was a *reduction* in the councillor allowances, something Cllr. Moran conveniently forgets. I've campaigned for further reductions since.

Councillor Adrian Owens, chairman, Our West Lancashire Group.

PICTURE of the week

THIS atmospheric photo of Kirk Road in Bootle at sunset was sent to us by Graham Jones. If you would like to submit a photo to be considered for the Champion's Picture of the Week slot, you can simply email it to editorial@champnews.com. Please remember to include your name and the area where you live, along with brief caption details to accompany your photograph.

Drop us a line

IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

Letters can be posted or emailed to the respective addresses listed at the top of this page. They should be concise, preferably no more than 350 words, and include the sender's name, address and contact details, although not necessarily for publication.

Correspondents preferring not to have their name and/or their address published may provide a suitable nom de plume.

The editor reserves the right to edit all items submitted for favour of publication.

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Dogs Trust backs Government's pet-friendly rental homes initiative

AS the UK's largest dog welfare charity, Dogs Trust believes that the benefits of pet ownership shouldn't be exclusive to homeowners, but open to private and social renters as well.

With the number of people privately renting increasing year on year, the news that the Government is looking to make it easier for private tenants to have pets in their homes, has never been more important.

Sadly, the single biggest reason we see dogs handed in to our rehoming centres is due to a change in the owner's circumstances, such as being unable to live in a rented property with a pet.

This can also stop people coming forward to adopt rescue animals. This needs to change and we sincerely hope the proposed updates to model tenancy contracts will help ensure that fewer owners are forced to give up their beloved pets and that more people are able to consider adoption.

For over a decade, Dogs Trust has been working with landlords, letting agencies and the property industry on this issue.

It's important that any updates to the model tenancy contract are backed up with appropriate guidance for landlords on how to put the changes into practice to make it fully effective and mutually beneficial for all parties involved.

We welcome the opportunity to work alongside other animal welfare organisations and the Government to ensure this forthcoming change positively impacts the property sector, and that more pet friendly rental homes become available.

Clare Kivlehan, Head of Outreach Projects at Dogs Trust

We've had masterplans, strategies and promises but nothing's changed

IN 2014 Lancashire County Council, under the Labour Party, announced a masterplan for West Lancashire with an Ormskirk traffic strategy - nothing changed.

Then in 2018, under the Conservatives, LCC announced a traffic strategy for Ormskirk - nothing happened.

So we go into 2020 with a note saying they hope to have something started early next year, 2021, so seven years and nothing.

On January 8 it is three years since Councillor Fillis announced that an 18-ton weight limit was to be put on the Derby Street bridge but it is the still being used by 44-ton wagons due to the police having no resources.

Due to larger wagons going over the bridge it must be getting weaker so I was surprised when Councillor Hennessy was asked for her views on the Conservatives saying that they were going to repair the bridge with a resin repair for about £1million and hope to start early next year.

Her concern was not on any health and safety grounds but saying she stands by her comment made last year that a single lane over the bridge will cause traffic chaos. She seems to have forgotten that Labour had four years to carry out their traffic strategy as per their 2014 West Lancashire masterplan and that Cllr. Fllis informed me that when he was putting the weight limit on the bridge he was going to have a single lane over the bridge.

So, seven years on, despite masterplans and traffic strategies there is nothing to show for it.

The quality of LCC councillors and their officials is not good. They waste money and do nothing.

Barrie French, Ormskirk.

We need more bins

I HAVE been reading the article on residents' fury over increasing dog mess on Skem's streets.

Both me and my partner have a young pup and we always take our dog bags with us wherever we go, and if by accident we do forget, the first thing we do is call by a store that sells them.

I'm the same as most readers and dog owners - I believe there simply isn't enough dog bins. Even when walking down the canals there isn't a single dog bin.

There really does need to be more bins on the streets, not just in Skelmersdale but in the surrounding areas as well.

K.P., by email.

Where's the regeneration when there's rubbish everywhere and the roads are falling apart?

I AM writing about Councillor Ian Moran's recent article in the Champion about the regeneration of the town centre and the new houses going to be built in Skelmersdale.

He wants to open his eyes up, when you look around Skelmersdale all you see is rubbish in all the bushes along the pathways. I walk my dog and everywhere you go there is rubbish.

Then there is the state of the roads. They patch a spot up and a week later it is just as bad again.

It makes you sick when they talk about the HS2 rail link costing £82 billion-plus while the roads in the town are falling apart. We car owners want better roads to drive on.

John Gallagher, Little Digmoor.

Park's 'cared-for' look has cheered me up

I AM writing to say that Victoria Park on St Helens Road, Ormskirk is now looking particularly cared-for.

Thank-you to all involved in the clearing operation.

This has been a small, but positive development and has really cheered me.

Susan Myers, by email.

Official endorsement for Edge Hill's sports management degrees

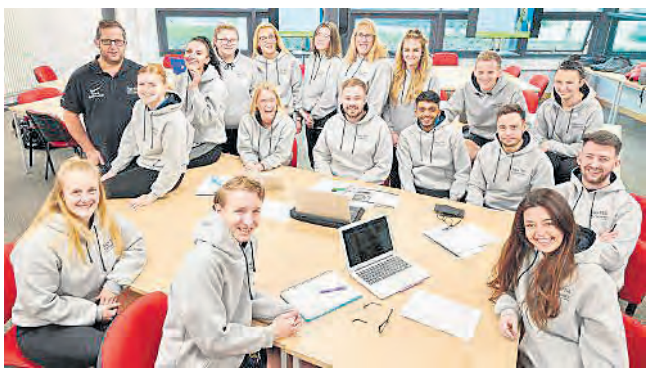
University says professional standards body recognition will help students in jobs market

THREE Edge Hill sports degrees have received official endorsement from the sector's professional standards body, which the university says will help students get ahead in the jobs market.

The BA (Hons) Sports Coaching and Development, BA (Hons) Sports Development and Management and BA (Hons) Sports Management and Coaching courses have been endorsed against the Chartered Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity's professional standards.

Endorsed degree programmes are certified as meeting employer-set professional standards and are used as an employability benchmark to show the student completing the programme is qualified for the job role and has the employability skills which are essential to gain entry to the workforce.

Professor Andy Smith, from Edge Hill's Department of Sport and Physical Activity, said: "We are delighted that our sports development, management and coaching programmes have received professional endorsement from CIMSPA, particularly as this makes us one of the first group of universities in the UK to receive degree endorsements in this field.



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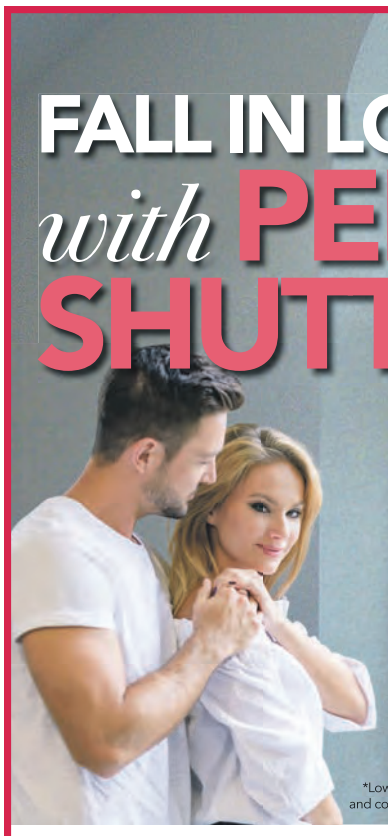

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Commisioners' health care options reminder to patients

HEALTH commissioners in West Lancashire are reminding patients in the borough that they have the right to choose some aspects of their care.

Patient Choice is a national commitment from the NHS which allows patients greater choice and control over how they receive their health care, empowering them to shape and manage their own health and care.

Although in some cases choice is a legal right, the NHS says all patients should be having a 'choice' discussion with their GPs when they are being referred on for any further treatment.

Local GPs should also be making information around choice available to patients, discussing the different options available locally or otherwise and giving patients sufficient time to consider what suits them as an individual.

Dr John Caine, chair of the NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) said: "Patient choice is not new, but simply something set out in the NHS Constitution we want patients and clinicians to be reminded about. In many circumstances, this choice is a legal right and we

Dr John Caine.

therefore recommend all patients discuss what options are available to them.

"Patient choice supports individuals to be more involved in their own treatment, allowing them to opt for a shorter waiting time, an alternative hospital if one exists, and have choice over their appointment date and time to fit in with their schedule. We know from speaking with local patients that they would like more control and say in their own health care, and choice allows this which in turn often leads to better patient experience as well as fewer missed appointments."

Examples of circumstances where patients have the legal right to choose include choice of hospital when referred to a consultant lead service for a first outpatient appointment; choice to request a change of hospital if they are likely to wait longer that the maximum waiting times at the chosen hospital; and choice of who carries out specialist tests.

Dr Caine continued: "We understand everyone has individual preferences. Patient choice aims to recognise all factors people may consider when making decisions about their physical or mental health care".

For more information, visit www.nhs.uk/patientchoice or to explore what local services are available, visit www.nhs.uk.

N.B. A small number of exclusions apply. For example if a patient needs urgent care or if the preferred place does not offer the treatment needed. For more information search for The NHS Choice Framework online at www.gov.uk.

Public welcome to attend board meeting

MEMBERS of the public are invited to attend the next board meeting of the NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to be held at Hilldale on the Ormskirk Hospital site in Wigan Road, on Tuesday January 28 from 9.30 to 11.30am.

The agenda will be published on the group's website (www.westlancashireccg.nhs.uk) one week before the meeting.

Printed copies of the papers are available on request for those without access to the Internet by calling 01695 588 000.

Questions relating to items on the agenda can be raised by contacting the secretary to the board directly on 01695 588 144 by noon on Monday, January 27.

Following the conclusion of the governing body meeting, there will also be the opportunity for members of the public and other attendees to have an informal discussion with some of the board members.

Members of the local community who would like to raise questions that are not connected to the agenda, can do so by contacting the CCG via email at wlccg.myview@nhs.net or by calling 01695 588 000.

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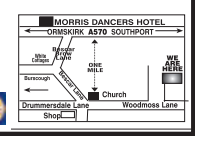

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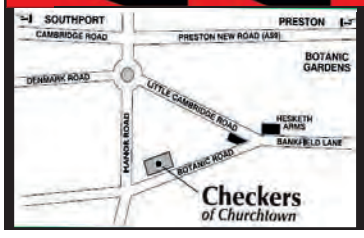

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Pensioner's festive lights display raises £243 for children's hospital

A WEST Lancashire pensioner has donated £243.30 to Alder Hey Children's Hospital - thanks to generous members of the pubic.

For "more years than he cares to remember" - but certainly in double figures! - Graham Appleton has been lighting up his home in Dickets Lane, Lathom over the Christmas period with a dazzling array of festive decorations.

The display always proves a crowd-pleaser with passers-by who stop to admire Graham's efforts and many are only too happy to show their appreciation by leaving donations in a charity box placed by the front door.

In previous years Graham, who is in his 80s, has donated the proceeds to the Clatterbridge Centre, raising more than £1,500 for the Wirral-based cancer charity.

This year though he decided to donate to a good cause closer to home. "People have once again been very generous and I would like to thank everybody for the donations to another very worthy cause in Alder Hey Children's Hospital.

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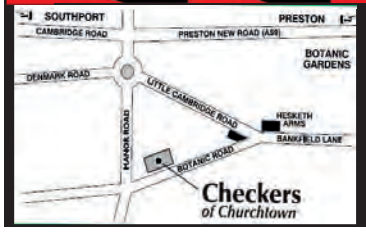

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Birmingham shows way with plan to ban cars from city centre

I SUPPOSE Andy Burnham, the energetic Metro Mayor of Manchester, will be well pleased that Northern looks likely to be stripped of its franchise to run our local railway service outside of Merseyrail Electrics.

If he has his way it will effectively be run for the time being from Westminster, but I reckon that if he expects all our rail troubles - and Northern most certainly has its share of those - to somehow miraculously be over he is in for a grave disappointment.

Yes, Northern's management must shoulder some of the blame for late running, or not running at all, trains, but our gallant defender of people's rights unhappily overlooks two of the main causes of Northern's downfall.

Late delivery of new trains (software problems again!) mean crew training on them has fallen woefully late, while Government promises of electrification through Bolton running even later than the trains, along with a promised extra platform at besieged Manchester Piccadilly, has meant the shiny new kit which was available couldn't be used as intended.

Meanwhile, the redoubtable Mr Burnham has also been having a pop at TransPennine Express. He wants TPE to lose its franchise too. For the same reasons, and with the same caveats. Late delivery of new trains and failure to extend electrified lines (neither of which problems can be laid at TPE's door) seem to have escaped Mr Burnham's attention.

But while I'm on my local transport hobby-horse, Birmingham seems to be showing us northerners the better way forward. There the emphasis is not on dastardly rail operators, but on banning private cars from driving through the city centre, improving and extending its tram network and providing a better bus service - all with the twin objectives of keeping the local population moving while dramatically cutting its carbon footprint.

Incidentally, I happened upon a radio programme the other day on just this subject. And one interesting fact that emerged was that for the present - and anything like the near future - the present rush for electric cars may, in fact, be somewhat premature.

One expert pointed out, while not condemning electric vehicles outright, that the process of producing batteries for them, plus the transport of materials and finished products, meant that for the present, electric cars are ultimately more polluting than those with infernal combustion engines.

Attractions

I must confess that I am coming round to the idea of electric vehicles, but one of their attractions, as a driver or passenger, their relative silence, is also the one that as a pedestrian, worries me about them. It is amazing really how much we depend on our sense of hearing to get around our modern world safely.

And yes, I too have heard that consideration is now being given to making these otherwise silent cars (and I suppose buses and eventually lorries too) produce some kind of 'noise' as they glide along.

I wonder what 'noises' are under consideration? Perhaps an angry grrr kind of noise? Or just a sort of genetic brum, brum? Or why not take a page out of the ice-cream van's merry jingles?

I know. Why not employ a man (or of course, woman) to walk in front of the vehicle carrying a red flag? Better still, the flag-waving person could jog along in front, so not only speeding the traffic up a bit, but also helping the flag-waver's keep-fit programme.

Incidentally, going back to the Manchester Metro Mayor's ideas (and incidentally giving praise where praise is due for the expansion - ahead of schedule -of its excellent tramway network) he is one of several such civic leaders who advocates a London-style of bus operation. While conveniently forgetting the cost of this to Londoners and the fact that fewer and fewer of them are using their buses anyway.

Stick to trams, Andy - your trams work, most of your other transport solutions are doomed to disappointment.

Trust to increase mental health services capacity

PEOPLE with mental health needs in Lancashire and South Cumbria will soon be able to get specialist support with the creation of 11 new mental health rehabilitation beds costing £2m set to open in Preston later this year.

Lancashire & South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust is opening the beds to increase more capacity in its mental health services.

The beds will begin operating in April and will be housed at the trust's Avondale Unit at the Royal Preston Hospital.

Dr Richard Morgan, medical director at the trust, said: "This is really going to make a difference to how mental health services are delivered in Lancashire and South Cumbria. At present, though there are sufficient acute mental health beds for adults, there are gaps in specialist rehabilitation beds for people with long-term mental health issues.

"This means that some people who require rehabilitation are staying in acute beds for too long. The new beds will free up acute inpatient beds and mean that fewer people with mental health issues will be sent out of area or present at hospital A&E departments."

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HMRC would never use social media to offer a tax rebate

IT has been another busy time at Citizens Advice this month.

This week I would like to give you some advice direct from HMRC relating to scams.

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Do not reply if you get a text message claiming to be from HMRC offering you a tax refund in exchange for personal or financial details.

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You should send any phishing text messages to 60599 (network charges apply) or email phishing@hmrc.gov.uk then delete it.

HMRC will never use 'WhatsApp' to contact customers about a tax refund.

If you receive any communication through 'WhatsApp' saying it's from HMRC, it is a scam.

Email details of the message tophishing@hmrc. gov.uk then delete it.

HMRC tell us that they are aware of direct messages sent to customers through social media.

A recent scam was identified on Twitter offering a tax refund.

These messages are not from genuine HMRC social media accounts and are a scam.

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Online scams are often difficult to identify and if you're not careful, you may only realise you've been scammed when it's too late.

As scams become more and more sophisticated, Citizens Advice National Scams Actionteam have identified five things to check before you act.

1. Know who you're talking to?

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3. Are they asking for any personal information or money?

This could include passwords, PINs or even financial information. Do not give such information

4. Does it seem too good to be true?

'Get rich quick' can often mean 'lose money fast'. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.

5. Are there terms and conditions?

Ensure that you been provided with any paperwork or terms and conditions that confirm what's involved? Make sure you have all the information you need before making a decision.

If you're in any doubt, stop and contact our Scams Action service for confidential, impartial advice.

You can speak to get advice or book a face-to-face appointment with a National Scams Action adviser by calling 0300 330 3003. The national service is open from Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

If you want to get in touch locally, you can send me an email about specific scams worries to john.trotter@sefton-cab.org.uk, or Citizens Advice Sefton has a general telephone service on 0344 493 0012, or you can visit one of our local advice centres.

National Trust supporters' 'come and join us' message

THE Ormskirk and District Association of National Trust are inviting members of the public to join them for their regular talks and social activities.

The group's next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 5 starting at 8pm in the Ministry Centre, Christ Church, Aughton when the subject will be the two Liverpool cathedrals.

A spokesperson for the group said: "Anyone wishing to find out more about our association is welcome to come along to the February talk. Admission is £2 to non-members and free for members."

Further details are also available online at https://odantm.wordpress.com/.

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Airport launches consultation on future aircraft flight paths across region

LIVERPOOL John Lennon Airport wants to hear the views of residents in Sefton and West Lancashire as part of a 12-week consultation to discuss the 'modernisation of the UK's airspace'.

The changes could involve potential alterations to the routes taken by aircraft departing from and arriving at the airport.

The consultation area (*as shown on the map opposite*) covers parts of Sefton and West Lancashire.

The UK's airspace is some of the most complex in the world, yet has not undergone significant change since the 1950s. The Department for Transport and the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) plan to modernise UK airspace in order to deliver quicker, quieter and cleaner journeys by air in and around the UK and to accommodate future aviation growth, with flight paths having to be redrawn in a coordinated way.

As a consequence, airports will all be consulting with local communities and other airspace users about potential changes to their departure and arrival routes.

In a 12 week consultation that will last until April 9, Liverpool John Lennon Airport has set out various options to illustrate how the flight paths of aircraft operating to or from the airport in the skies above North West England and North Wales, might change in the future as part of this airspace modernisation.

The area covered by possible changes to flight paths of aircraft relating to LJLA, reaches to South Lancashire in the North, Warrington in the East, Mid-Cheshire in the South and across to Flintshire in the West. Consequently, the airport is keen that members of the public who live within areas that may potentially be affected by such changes to aircraft flight paths, participate in the consultation. Two open days will be held at the airport over the coming weeks as part of the consultation; one on Wednesday, February 12 and the other on Saturday, March 7 with representatives from the airport on hand to discuss the potential impact of any proposed flight path changes.

The geographic area within which the aircraft flight paths are due to change.

Further information regarding how to participate in the consultation is available on the airport's website: www.liverpoolairport.com/airspacechange

It includes a link to the CAA's online airspace change portal that explains the potential changes to LJLA's departure and arrival routes.

Airport CEO John Irving said: "We hope people will get involved with this consultation to have their say on this important issue and help to shape the use of the airspace in this part of the UK."

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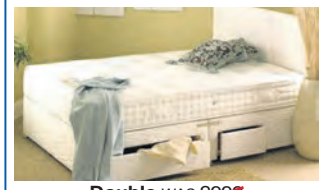

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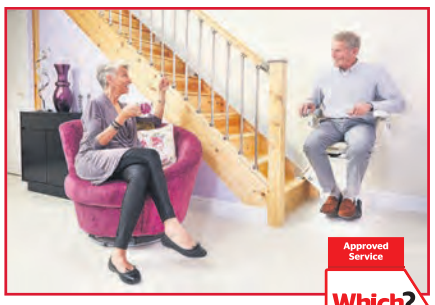

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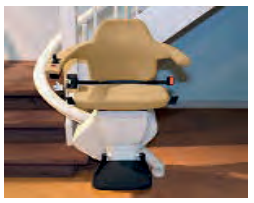

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Jobcentres set to offer more help to homeless

Report by **Henry James**

JOBCENTRES in West Lancs will be doing more to help homeless people after the Government released up to £3million to introduce a stronger support service.

The new funding will see Jobcentre staff across the UK joining outreach teams on the streets to speak to people sleeping rough, helping them to claim their benefits, find new work, secure stable accommodation and direct them to additional support.

Staff will be able to spend more time working with charities and other organisations to help people who are homeless, including those rough sleeping.

The funding will also be used to bolster projects Jobcentres are already working on with various organisations.

Jobcentre staff could also be stationed in charity run day centres to advise those who use those services, but have not yet visited a Jobcentre.

Minister for Welfare Delivery Will Quince said: "We are determined to help anyone experiencing homelessness, and if this means getting staff out of the Jobcentre to speak to people on the street directly then we will do that.

"There's a huge amount of support available to help people who are homeless that they often don't know about. So we're going out and taking the help to them, through outreach programmes and closer working with homelessness charities."

The work will build on the support already available from Jobcentres for homeless people, such as helping to verify their ID to set up claims for benefits and signposting to drug, alcohol and other support services.

Minister for Homelessness, Luke Hall said: "It's my priority to ensure that we reduce all forms of homelessness and rough sleeping.

"And while our interventions are working there is still more to do. Today's announcement will mean homeless people get the support they need to get back on their feet and find new work."

The new funding, which will be delivered in 2020/2021, follows on from dedicated training given to hundreds of Jobcentre managers last year on how best to support homeless claimants.

It builds on the government's introduction of the Homelessness Reduction Act in 2018.

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Ormskirk Tennis Club chairman, Rob Owens (3rd left) shows off the new defibrillator flanked by members Adam Jenkins, Rod Birchall and Oli Hobson.

Builder's grand gesture serves up a potential life-saver for tennis club

A DEFBRILLATOR has been installed at Ormskirk Tennis Club - thanks to a local housebuilder.

Officials at the club in County Road were able to purchase the potentially life-saving device after receiving a £1,000 donation from Taylor Wimpey North West.

Club chairman, Rob Owens, said: "The new defibrillator is one item on a list of ongoing initiatives designed to renovate and further enhance our facilities and we're really pleased that Taylor Wimpey was able to assist with making this particular project a reality.

"Having a reputable homebuilder on board is hugely valuable to us and we're grateful for the company's generous donation."

Sales and marketing director at Taylor Wimpey North West, Stuart Craig, added: "We're committed to working with organisations and initiatives within the areas in which we build and doing our bit to enhance their offering. This, in turn, helps to create a real sense of pride for people living in the community.

"It's great to be able to support Ormskirk Tennis Club, which is situated near to our popular Highgrove Park development and which we know is a well-loved and hugely valuable asset to local people."

Members of Ormskirk Shotokan Karate Club with Sensei John Errington presenting Andy Durney with his 4th Dan JKA diploma.

Karate club celebrates 30th anniversary

MEMBERS old and new gathered to celebrate the 30th anniversary of a local martial arts club.

The Ormskirk Shotokan Karate Club was formed in 1989 by Sensei John Errington 6th Dan (with Japan Karate Association, JKA) and Sensei Steve Kirrelly 5th Dan (with World Shotokan Institute), initially based at the former Cross Hall School before moving to its current venue at Ormskirk School.

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WWT Martin Mere news

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With concern gathering momentum for aquatic environments, especially amongst schoolchildren, we have also now developed four exciting new sessions for primary schools.

As well as our twelve sessions that cover core areas of the Primary School Curriculum, we have now introduced two sessions about Climate Change and Plastic Pollution, which explain these global issues and suggest little things we can all do to help.

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Finally, starting this autumn, our fourth new course is a dynamic session explaining the mysteries of seeds and soil, which are so important to all life on Earth.

Our busiest season for schools is between June and July, so it is best to book well in advance. However, there is plenty to see and do in all months of the year and, for some, even a winter visit is the best, as children can experience the Icelandic Whooper Swan feeds which are recognised as being one of the best wildlife watching experiences in the UK.

We are committed to ensuring that all our local children receive a fantastic learning experience when they visit Martin Mere and also always welcome input from educators. So, please get in touch with us on 01704 891244 to either book a visit or give us your ideas.

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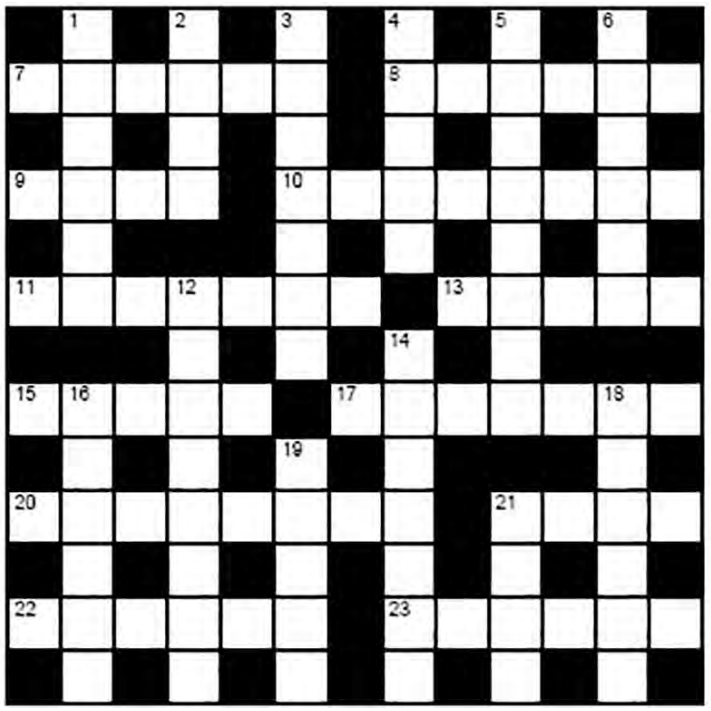

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Across: 7. Helper. 8. On hold. 9. Anti. 10. Languish. 11. Abstain. 13. Admit. 15. Yearn. 16. Alarmed. 18. Adorable. 19. Lent. 21. Injure. 22. Adduce
Down: 1. Neon. 2. Splinter group. 3. Trellis. 4. Tonne. 5. Shoulder blade. 6. Allspice. 12. Breeding. 14. Illegal. 17. Abbey. 20. Neck.

ACROSS

7. A small shiny disc sewn on to clothing for decoration (6)
8. Prejudice or discrimination on the grounds of a person's age (6)
9. Steal goods during a riot (4)
10. Day after today (8)
11. Male sibling (7)
13. Third planet from the sun (5)
15. Cobra or viper for instance (5)
17. Not fit for purpose (7)
20. Dry pasta in the shape of narrow tubes (8)
21. A hinged barrier used to close an opening in a wall, fence, or hedge (4)
22. A glacial episode during a past geological period (3,3)
23. Hard calcified deposit that forms on teeth (6)

DOWN

1. Long or roundabout route taken to avoid something or visit somewhere along the way (6)
2. Performance by two singers (4)
3. Made by intertwining threads in a series of connected loops (7)
4. Informal term for lucky (5)
5. Drinking establishment particularly associated with Munich (4, 4)
6. A person, vehicle, or group accompanying another for protection or as a mark of rank (6)
12. Fast food outlet (8)
14. Lends a hand (7)
16. A subtle difference in or shade of meaning, expression, or sound (6)
18. Abbreviated term for an in-car navigation system (6)
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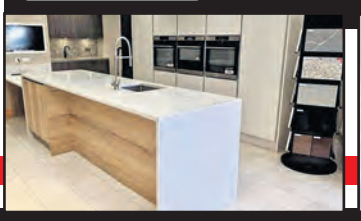
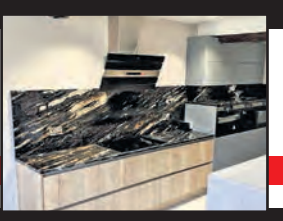
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Swan Lake ballet was performed 'faultlessly'

Review by **Danielle Thompson**

Swan Lake

Russian State Ballet of Siberia's Swan Lake
Liverpool Empire, Tuesday, January 14
9/10

THIS was a visually stunning performance throughout with sizzling chemistry shown between the two excellent leads, with Elena Svinko as Odette/Odile and Marcello Pelizzoni as Prince Siegfrid.

As well as unbelievably talented solo performances, a series of stunningly choreographed routines showing the leads falling in love were faultless. It felt like time stopped still for the final part of the first half, with the classically trained dancers all putting in unforgettable performances.

One scene that really stood out for me was the 'mirroring' scene when Prince Siegfried is performing a solo dance after meeting the beautiful Odette, who has been turned into a swan by her vengeful father.

Her father, keeping a watchful eye over the prince, performs the exact same dance behind him in a mirror image. The two dancers are facing opposite ways and yet still perform the identical sequences with perfect timings, making for an unforgettable moment.

The ballet honed in on the mirroring of the male and female parts – with the best performances dedicated not only to the relatively simple topic of the leads falling in love but the more intriguing dynamics between the Prince and his love's evil, plotting father. Running parallel alongside this, was sweet, innocent Odette's battle with the darker, evil side of herself as the sexually-charged Odile.

The dances of the various maidens from distant lands competing for Prince Siegfried's affections allowed the company, which hails from Krasnoyarsk, to branch out into different styles of dance and the eye-catching costumes from different countries added a memorable something 'extra' to the traditional ballet.

Tchaikovsky's score, once considered too complicated for ballet, was executed flawlessly by the live orchestra and there was a sweet moment when the prima ballerina brought musical director and chief conductor Anatoly Tchepurnoi on stage for applause at the end.

It is a long performance, reaching 2.5 hours minus the interval, but it is a tribute to the talented team that this time flies by and never feels rushed or dragged out, but is a beautiful demonstration of traditional ballet performed faultlessly.

To buy tickets for their national tour, which runs until the end of March and also features performances of Coppelia, Sleeping Beauty and The Nutcracker, visit ents24.com/uk/tour-dates/russian-state-ballet-and-orchestra-of-siberia

Spanish conductor to direct orchestra's next concert

CROSBY Symphony Orchestra's next concert takes place at St Faith's Church on the evening of Sunday, February 9.

The title Heroic, refers to two symphonies in the concert; Glazunov Symphony No. 5 and Beethoven Symphony No. 3.

The Glazunov was written in 1895 and is scored for a full Romantic orchestra.

It's full of tuneful melodies and deserves to be as well-known as the Classical, Eroica, Beethoven's third symphony written at the beginning of the same century.

Directing the orchestra through the symphonies and Mozart's Don Giovani Overture is popular Spanish born conductor Juan Ortuño.

Juan Ortuño

Stephen Bailey

Stephen Bailey returning to comedy club

STEPHEN Bailey, who is a comedian, presenter, television personality and writer, and whose friendly and open brand of gossipy humour has made him one of the UK's most exciting up-and-coming acts in comedy at the moment, will be returning to the Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club at the Atkinson.

LOL Comedy have been booking him for years and he will be in the town on Saturday, February 1 at 8pm.

He is the host of Celebs on the Farm (Channel 5) & Celebs On The Ranch (5Star) and was the resident Agony Uncle on Zoe Ball on Saturday/Sunday (ITV) and a series regular on Big Brother's Bit on the Side (Channel 5) until the end of their runs.

Bailey has also been seen on Coronation Street (ITV), The Apprentice: You're Fired (BBC Two), Roast Battle, Takeshi's Castle & Comedy Central at the Comedy Store (Comedy Central), The Stand Up Sketch Show, Safeword, and Celeb Ability & The Great Xmas Rant (ITV2).

He has also filmed two shows for Comedy Central and E4, which will air toward the end of the year through early 2020.

Stephen has previously supported Katherine Ryan and Jenny Éclair on their sold-out UK tours.

He also guest hosted Sunday Takeover (Virgin Radio), The Jason Manford Show (Absolute Radio), Drivetime with Eamonn Holmes (TalkRadio), The Breakfast Show (Gaydio) and The Sunday Sessions with Laura Whitmore (BBC 5Live).

He has featured on The Art's Show with Jonathan Ross on BBC Radio 2, Russell Kane's BBC podcast Evil Genius.

Joe Zalias will also be performing. Audiences can see George Rigden as well. Damion Larkin will be the MC for the night.

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Little Theatre audiences are promised a 'rip-roaring' comedy

Preview by **Ron Ellis**

Jeeves and Wooster in Perfect Nonsense at The Little Theatre, Southport

AFTER the success of this season's pantomime, Dick Whittington, at the Little Theatre, for their next production the S.D.C. move forward a few hundred years to the 1920's and the hilarious world of P.G. Wodehouse's immortal creations, Jeeves and Wooster'.

With three seasoned actors in Chris Smalley, Nathan Coleman and Rikki Spofforth playing the roles that some of Britain's most celebrated comedians have filled over the years, this promises to be a comedy to suit all ages.

This "rip-roaring" comedy recently played in the West End at the West End's Duke of York Theatre. It is based on The Code of the Woosters, which was published in 1938. The brothers David and Robert Goodale wrote the play.

MatthewMacfadyen played Jeeves and Stephen Mangan was Bertie Wooster.

The show opened in November 2013 and ran until September of the following year. It has also toured all over the world, including Australia, New Zealand and America.

Stephen Fry and Hugh Laurie played Jeeves and Wooster respectively in the popular ITV comedy series at the start of the 1990s. The final series was also nominated for a British Academy Television Award for Best Drama Series.

In the show a tip-top trip to the countryside goes wrong for Bertie Wooster and his valet Jeeves in an evening of 'perfect nonsense.'

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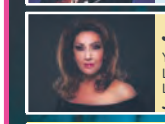

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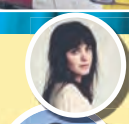

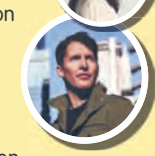

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CARBOOT ITEMS Over 60 car boot items including some new, also 20 items of quality clothes £35 07387439004

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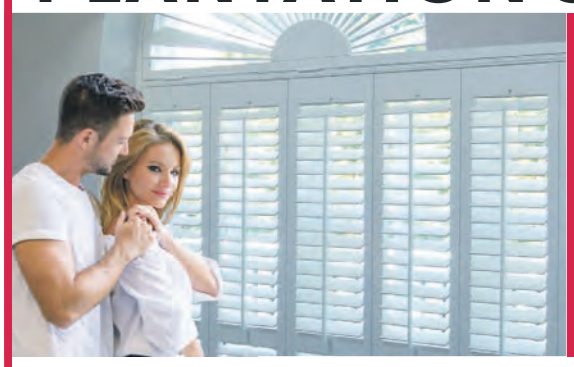

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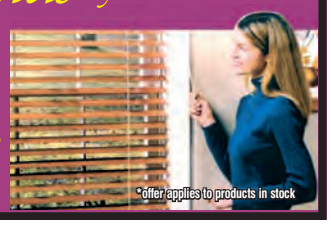

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Ann and family would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their cards of sympathy, flowers and support during the recent sad loss of Eric. Many thanks to everyone who attended the funeral and all those who kindly made donations to Queenscourt Hospice. Special thanks to Heather, Dave and all staff at the Care Agency for their care and support. Grateful thanks to Liz and her fantastic team at Lyndale Nursing Home for their care of Eric, Rev Roy Doran for a lovely service and to all at Howard's Funeral Directors for their support throughout all the arrangements.

SNOWSILL MARY
Linda and Tony would like to thank the Medical and Nursing Staff at Aintree University Hospital, Fr. John Harris for the beautiful service and sincere ministrations and to everyone for the mass cards, donations and taking the time to attend her service and to help celebrate her life.

We would also like to thank Damfield Gardens Rest Home for their kindness, care and love shown to Mum and to Martin and everyone at Graham Clegg Funeral Service for their caring funeral arrangements. God Bless You All.

Announcements

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

TED FENLON
Carol, Kate and Ted Jr wish to thank everyone who attended Ted's funeral, sent cards and kind messages and to thank everyone for their generous donations in Ted's memory which have gone to aid Skelmersdale Holiday Breakfast Clubs for local children. Many thanks also to Devonport's funeral services, all at Greenacres and celebrant Jenny, Skelmersdale Cricket Club and Nikki Brophy. You all helped to make the day a celebration of Ted's life.
10.01.2020
Thank you all

MCMAHON FRANK
Audrey and Frank's family would like to express their sincere thanks to everyone who attended his funeral and for the many cards of condolence and generous donations to the local RNLI, our special thanks also to Rev. Martin Abrams and to Derek and his team at Howard's Funeral Directors for their dignified and caring support.

BALL THOMAS
May, David and all the family of the late Thomas Ball would like to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy and gestures of kindness shown to us following our recent sad loss. Thanks to Southport Hospital, all our friends, Steve Lamin for the beautiful service and finally to David Wilkinson's Funeral Directors for their dignified handling of arrangements we say a heartfelt thankyou. For the many cards and messages of support and charity donations to North West Air Ambulance, in Tom's memory, we are extremely grateful.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

MELLOR WILLIAM H (BILL) (DR MELLOR)
Ann, Catriona, Janet, Neil and family would like to thank everyone who attended Dr. William H Mellor's funeral on Friday 17th January at West Lancashire Crematorium.
Our grateful thanks to all relatives, friends, ex-colleagues and patients for their kind expressions of sympathy and for donations received for the British Heart Foundation.
We would like to individually thank: Rev Andrew Housley for his support and leading such a lovely service, Lisa and MLS Independent Funeral Directors for their care and professionalism, FlowerStyle by Laurie for the beautiful flowers and Louise O'Looney for the catering back at the house.
The attendance of so many at the service was greatly appreciated and please know that it meant a lot to us that you were there.

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13th January 2020
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Funeral Service and Committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 28th January 2020 at 2.40pm.

Family flowers only by request please but the family are receiving donations for Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust. Further enquiries please to Moisters Funeralcare, 25a Sefton Street, Southport PR8 6SG Tel: 01704 501501.

ROOKE PAMELA

7th January 2020 Peacefully in Elm House Nursing Home, Southport Aged 83 years.

Daughter of the late Sydney and Elsie Rooke of Ainsdale. Much loved Sister of Stephen and the late Rev Michael Rooke. Pamela will be sadly missed by her family, friends and all who knew her. Funeral service and committal will take place at Southport Crematorium on Monday 27th January 2020 at 12 noon. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for Save The Children.

Further enquiries please to Brookfields Funeralcare, 73-75 Shakespeare Street, Southport, PR8 5AJ. Tel No: 01704 532106

DEATHS

TUNSTALL PAUL

At home on 4th January 2020 aged 87 years.

Much loved Husband of Dorothy. Much loved Dad of Lynne and David. Loving Granddad of Chris, John, Joanne, Harry, Ida and Belle. Dear Brother of Ray. A much loved Uncle to all his nieces and nephews. Paul will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Monday 27th January 2020 at 10am. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for The Alzheimer's Society. Further enquiries please to: Co-Operative Funeralcare Maghull, 36 Westway. Maghull L31 0AB. Tel : 0151 527 1709

BADLEY GLENDA

Passed away peacefully aged 65 years Friday 10th January 2020

Glenda is survived by her Husband John and her sons, Phil and Rob. The funeral service is to be held on Tuesday 28th January, 11am, at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu to the R.S.P.C.A. All enquiries to Hunters Funeral Directors, 128b Burscough St, Ormskirk, L39 2EY. Tel: 01695 572997.

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SPRIGINGS HILDA

January 11th 2020 Peacefully at Aintree Hospital aged 90 years.

Widow of her beloved Phil, now re-united and loving Mother of Graham.

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Service at Emmanuel Parish Church on Thursday 30th January at 2:00pm followed by interment at Liverpool Road Cemetery. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being collected for Freshfields Animal Rescue.

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MARRIOTT DEREK JOHN

On 11th January 2020 Passed away peacefully with his Family by his side, Aged 81 years

Devoted Husband of Valerie, much loved Dad of Carol, Angela and Derek. Proud and Loving Grandad of Anna, Adam and Sidney, Great Grandad of Sam and Amelia. Loving Brother of Colin, Margaret (deceased), Elsie, Joyce and Mary. Derek will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. The funeral service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Monday 27th January at 2.40pm. Family would like to request mourners wear a splash of red in memory of Derek. Family flowers only by request, donations if so desired for Macmillan Cancer Support. Donations and further enquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG, Tel: 01704 214118

DEATHS

COSTELLO WILFRED JOHN

5th January 2020 Peacefully in hospital.

Much-loved widow of Kathleen, devoted Father of Paul and Father-in-law of Linda, sadly missed Grandad to Beth, Erin and Ben. Service and Cremation at Thornton Crematorium on Thursday 30th January 2020 at 1.20pm. Close family flowers only please, donations if desired, to the British Lung Foundation. c/o Coyne Bros Funeral Directors, 3 Old Mill Lane, Formby, L37 3PE. Tel. 01704 873899

ROBERTS ALICE ANN

10th January 2020 Aged 82 Years

Passed away peacefully in Acacia Court surrounded by her family. Dearly beloved Wife of Cyril, much loved Mum of Graham, Karen and Janet, cherished Grandmother of Jordan and Chelsie, loving Great-Grandmother of Archie and Jenson. She will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Alzheimer's Society.

Service at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 28th January at 11.20am Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086

To place a family announcement please call 01704 392392

DEATHS

DAY JAMES WILLIAM (JIM)

11th January 2020 Aged 76 years

Died peacefully after a short illness. Beloved Husband of Lesley. Adored Dad of Laureen and Adam, much loved Grandad of Corey, Sebastian, Gabriel and Harry. Loving Brother of Thomas. Jim will be greatly missed by all his family and friends. Service at Southport Crematorium on Tuesday 28th January at 2:00pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being collected for Southport Offshore Rescue Trust (S.O.R.T). Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

TATTERSALL JEAN SYLVIA

Died 14th January 2020, peacefully aged 93 years.

Reunited with beloved Husband Peter. Devoted Mother to Mike (deceased) Richard and Guy. A much loved Grandmother. Will be very sadly missed by her family and friends.

Committal service to be attended by immediate family only at Southport Crematorium. Followed by funeral service at Formby Methodist Church on Monday 3rd February, at 11.15am Family flowers only please but donations if desired to Queenscourt Hospice c/o Coyne Bros, 3 Old Mill Lane, Formby, L37 3PE. Tel 01704 873899.

DEATHS

CONCANNON TED

Peacefully passed away on 15th January 2020. Aged 88 years.

Beloved Husband of the late Marj. Loving Dad of Graham, David, Carol, Nicola, Lynn and their partners. Dearly loved Grandad of Laura, David, Lea (deceased), Liam, Ashley, Dean, Aidan, Darcy and Matthew. Adored Great Grandad of Ellie, Ava, Jamie, Thomas and Ollie. The Funeral Service will be held at Southport Crematorium on Monday 10th February at 11.20am. All enquiries to R. Banks & Son (funerals) Ltd., Stretton House, 23 Hall Green, Up Holland, Wigan, WN8 0PB. Tel. (01695) 622099.

WILLIAMS NORMA

06/12/1937 - 10/01/2020

Passed away peacefully at Southport Hospital. Born in Liverpool and settled in Southport after many years living in La Jolla, San Diego, California.

Will be sadly missed by all her friends. Funeral service at Southport Crematorium on 27th January at 11.20am. Donations if so desired to The Salvation Army. Donations and further enquiries please to Sally Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Ormskirk, Lancashire, L39 5DZ Tel: 01695 424888.

DEATHS

CALDER JIM

Passed away peacefully at Parklands Lodge Care Home on 13th January 2020, aged 91 years.

Loving Husband, Father and Grandfather. Jim will be sadly missed. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Thursday 6th February 2020 at 12noon. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for the Alzheimer's Society. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel 01704 897770.

ARCHER NORMAN ANTHONY (TONY)

5th January 2020 Aged 76 years

Passed away peacefully at home. Beloved Husband of Cathy, loving Father of Robin, Jacqueline and David, proud Grandfather of Lilian and Julia. Service to be held at Southport Crematorium on Friday 24th January at 12.40pm. Donations if desired are being collected for Barnardo's. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone 01704 500086.

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DEATHS

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On 16th January 2020.

Passed away peacefully in hospital aged 92

George will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.
The Funeral service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Wednesday 29th January at 12noon.
Family flowers only by request.
Further enquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport PR9 9TG, Tel: 01704 214118

NARRACOTT CATHERINE MARGARET (BETTY)

Peacefully at home on 10th January 2020, aged 95 years.

Much loved Mum of Michael and Christina. Will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Funeral Service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Wednesday 29th January 2020 at 10.40am.
Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for the British Heart Foundation. Further enquiries to The Co-operative Funeralcare, 58 Brows Lane, Formby, L37 4ED Tel: 01704 878480.

BROMWELL CHRISTOPHER

Passed away on 15th January 2020 after a long illness aged 43 years of Skelmersdale

Funeral Service at West Lancs Crematorium on Tuesday 28th January 2020 at 10.00am.
Family flowers only please but donations if so desired.

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DEATHS

ABBOTT MARY-LOU

13th January 2020

Peacefully in hospital after a short illness surrounded by her loving family

aged 22 years

Loving and devoted Girlfriend of Jason. Much loved Daughter, Grandaughter, Sister, Niece and a dear friend to many.
Will be very sadly missed by all her family and friends.
Family flowers only please by request.
Donations if desired of non perishable items would be gratefully received for Ormskirk Food Bank or The Trussell Trust.
Funeral details and further enquiries to Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel:01695 559868

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

Aged 22 years

No words Loopy

We will miss you more than words can say. We're so proud of you and feel privileged that you were our Daughter and Sister. You amazed us all with your courageousness. You were kind, caring, thoughtful, determined, driven and an inspiration to all.

Your legacy lives on, you have taught us so much. Your zest for life and travel was infectious, see you in the next life gorgeous girl.

Love you forever

Mum, Chris and Nick

xxx

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

For a tiny bright young lady, you made a huge impact on our lives. Will meet you in our dreams our beautiful Mary - Lou.

Jason, George, Paula, Jamie, Lauren and Elvis

xxx

DEATHS

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

Aged 22

Our cherished Granddaughter, who we can't imagine life without. We will miss the chats, fun and knowledge that you shared with us, leaving us with priceless memories to treasure.

Love you!

Grandma and Granddad

XXX

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

Aged 22

Our lovely Niece and Cousin. It's unbelievable that you're now gone, and so suddenly, from our lives. You will be so missed by us. We loved your visits, with your tales about travels and life at university and your role as a Secret Agent was so appreciated. Until we see you again, love you, Auntie Vic, Roger, Holly and Hastings

xxx

P.S you're still only five

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

Aged 22 Years

Mary - Lou, it would be easy to say that you were beautiful, clever, determined, funny, compassionate, loving and courageous; so, we have.

We love you and wish we could keep you forever.

Dad, Jac, Christopher and Nick

xxxx

ABBOTT MARY - LOU

Aged 22

Much loved, and sadly missed.

Margaret, Kay, Graeme and Billy

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DEATHS

CATTERALL RONALD (RON)

Passed away with family by his side at Queenscourt Hospice on 14th January 2020 aged 78 years.

Dearly loved Husband of Sue. Much Loved Dad of John and Jane. Devoted Grandad of Chris and Abigail. Loved and missed by all his family and friends.
Funeral Service at West Lancs Crematorium on Friday 24th January 2020 at 10.00am
Family flowers only please by request but donations if so desired for Queenscourt Hospice.
Donations and further enquires please to Lisa Hunter, MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Tele. 01695 424888.

HORRIGAN PATRICK

13th January 2020 aged 82 years Peacefully at St Josephs Hospice, Thornton, surrounded by his family

Much loved Father, Grandfather and Great Grandfather.
Now reunited with his Wife Winnie. After a short illness, borne with courage, dignity and humour.
Funeral to take place at St Monica's RC Church, Bootle on Thursday 30th January 2020 at 12:15pm followed by Anfield Crematorium at 1:20pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to St Joseph's Hospice.
All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H Hardman & Co, Independent Family Funeral Directors Tel: 01695 722122/720012

DEATHS

VOSE WILLIAM (BILL)

January 1st 2020

Peacefully at home surrounded by his family.

Beloved Husband of Marie and much loved Father, Father-in-law, Grandad and Brother.
Funeral Mass at Our Lady's RC Church, Lydiate on Monday January 27th 2020 at 12 noon followed by a private cremation. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to North West Air Ambulance.
All further enquiries c/o Graham Clegg Funeral Services, 7 Dover Road, Maghull. L31 5JB Tel 0151 520 3330.

JOHNSON JACK

On 15th January 2020

Peacefully in Hospital

Aged 85 Years

Dearly loved Husband of Mary, loving Dad of John, Paul, Lorraine and Nigel, dear Father in Law of Daniel, and much loved Grandad of Jack, Thom, Sam, Nathan, Jordan, Alex, Scott and Ellie.
Funeral service will take place at Hesketh Lane Methodist Church Tarleton on Tuesday 28th January at 10:30am, followed by the Committal at West Lancashire Crematorium. Family flowers only by request, donations if so desired for The North West Air Ambulance.
Donations and further enquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG. Tel: 01704 214118.

DEATHS

HEYDON DENNIS

On 15th January 2020

Peacefully in a Nursing Home

Aged 88 Years

Dearly loved Husband of Pearl, loving Dad of Tim and Mel, dear Father in Law of Andrea, much loved Grandad of Sean, Kerry, Paul and Steph, and a devoted Great Grandad.
Funeral service will take place at Southport Crematorium on Friday 24th January at 10:40am.
Family flowers only by request, donations if so desired for the Royal British Legion.
Donations and further enquiries please to M. Rushton Funeral Directors, 100 Marshside Road, Southport, PR9 9TG. Tel 01704 214118.

DEATHS

BUTLER MARGARET SHEILA

Passed away peacefully at home on 12th January 2020

Much loved Mum and Nan.
She will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.
Funeral Service at St Mary's Church Aughton on Monday 27th January 2020 at 1pm followed by committal at West Lancashire Crematorium Burscough.
All are welcome back to the Aughton Institute afterwards for refreshments.
Family flowers only but donations if so desired for the Alzheimers Society and Queenscourt Hospice.
Donations and further enquiries please to Louis Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Tel: 01695 424888.

DEATHS

NIXON JOAN

17th January 2020 Passed away unexpectedly but peacefully in hospital surrounded by her family

Beloved Wife of the late Ray Nixon. Much loved Mum to Ian and Annette, Mum in law to Gill, Nanny to Drew and Toria.
Greatly loved and missed by all family and friends.
Family flowers only.
Donations if so desired to St Annes R.C. Church, Ormskirk and The British Heart Foundation.
Not restricted to wearing black, Joan loved colour.
Requiem Mass to be held at St Annes R.C. Church, Ormskirk
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DEATHS

OLIVER TOM (TOMMY)

16th January 2020
Passed away peacefully at home
aged 83 years
of Graveyard Farm, Bickerstaffe.

Funeral Service and Interment at Holy Trinity Church, Bickerstaffe on Wednesday 29th January 2020 at 1.00pm.
Family flowers only please, but donations if so desired for Queenscourt Hospice.

Donations and further enquiries please to Sally Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors. 20, Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, L39 5DZ. Tel: 01695 424888.

LANGRIDGE OLIVE EILEEN

18th January 2020
Aged 89 Years

After five years in a nursing home she leaves two adult children, five grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren. Olive will be greatly missed by all her family and friends.
Service at Southport Crematorium (Not Southport tip as she said on several times) on Wednesday 29th January at 1:20pm. Donations are being collected in lieu of flowers for the Neonatal Ward at Ormskirk District General Hospital. Enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

DEATHS

JONES RAYMOND

8th January 2020
aged 70 years

Devoted Dad of Karen, Mandy and Sandy. Loving Grandad of Rachael, Conor, Luke and Dominic and Great Grandad of Kian. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral service will take place at St.Helens Crematorium on Wednesday 29th January at 2pm. All enquiries Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane Tel: 01695 559868

FOSTER SELINA MARGARET

Passed away peacefully in hospital on
14th January 2020
aged 92 years

A much loved Mum of Rod and Barbara. Loving Nana of Christine, Sharon and Julia. Loving Great Grandma of Gemma, Rosie, Stefan, James, Louis and Christian and Great Great Grandma of Olivia and Scarlett. Selina will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral Service and Committal will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Monday 27th January 2020 at 4pm. Family flowers only by request please but the family are gratefully receiving donations for the Queenscourt Hospice. Further enquiries please to Cookson Tyrer Funeral Directors, 2 Smithy Walk, Burscough, Lancashire L40 5UU Tel: 01704 897770.

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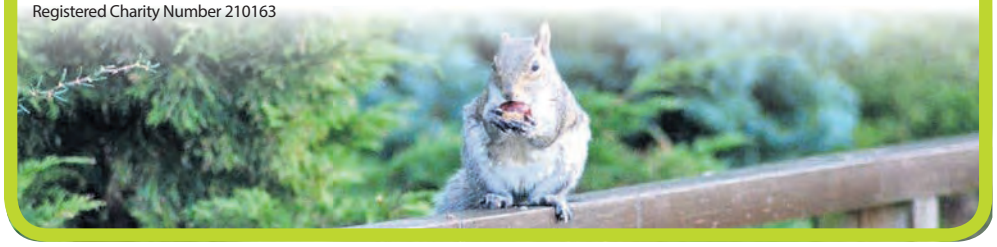

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PUBLIC NOTICES

West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15
APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

2019/0712/FUL Demolition of existing vacant single storey building. Erection of 13 two storey houses (9 x 2 bed & 4 x 3 bed) with associated car parking, amenity gardens and landscaping of Eskbank and its connecting footpaths at Eskbank Day Nursery, 42A Eskbank, Tanhouse, Skelmersdale.
2019/1199/FUL Full planning application for the erection of 15 residential dwellings at Site Of Former Greaves Hall Hospital, Greaves Hall Avenue, Banks.
2019/1200/FUL Full planning application for 12 residential dwellings and erection of noise barrier at Site Of Former Greaves Hall Hospital, Greaves Hall Avenue, Banks.
2019/1300/FUL Construction of an agricultural building for Alpaca/Sheep stabling, Chicken/Guinea Fowl breeding as well as tractor, feed and equipment storage areas at Bispham House, Maltkiln Lane, Bispham.
2019/1312/FUL Erection of a timber framed cattery at 80 Moss Lane, Hesketh Bank.
The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e-mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development, Heritage & Environment Manager, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 24 days* of the date of this notice quoting the application number.
*17 days in the case of applications for Permission in Principle.
Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
If an appeal is made against a decision to refuse to grant planning permission, and that appeal proceeds under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.
How information about you will be used
Personal data provided by you will be used as part of the Council's statutory planning duties. Some of this information, including your name and address, will be published. Further information about this is available online at www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning and hard copies are available on request.
Heidi McDougall BSc (Hons), MBA Dated: 22nd January 2020
Corporate Director of Place & Community PDNOT1075

PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(CRABTREE LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2020
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.
1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Crabtree Lane, Burscough from Orrell Lane, Burscough for a distance of 315m in a South Westerly direction.
2. Nothing in this order shall apply to persons engaged in the carrying out of the works.
3. The prohibition will be operative from 0000 hours on Sunday 19th January 2020 until 1700 hours on Friday 31st January 2020 or until completion of the works within this period.
4. A diversion will be signed locally.
The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow emergency repair works to the canal bridge to be carried out by Amberon on behalf of the Canal and Rivers Trust.
Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Highways and Transport, 0300 123 6780 [Ref: HRiT/22095/EW/1]

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LEGAL NOTICES

PARLIAMENTARY GENERAL ELECTION
WEST LANCASHIRE CONSTITUENCY
12 DECEMBER 2019

I, Jacqui Sinnott-Lacey, being the (Acting) Returning Officer for the above Constituency, hereby give notice that I have received the returns and declarations as to election expenses of the under mentioned candidates and election agents:

Candidate	Election Agent
Rosemary Elizabeth Cooper	Gareth Dowling
Jack Gilmore	David Westley
John Richard Puddifer	Own Agent
Marc Stanton	Own Agent
Simon Paul Thomson	Own Agent

A copy of the returns and declarations (including accompanying documents) can be inspected at The Council Offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF, between the hours of 9am-5pm Monday to Thursday and 9am – 4.45pm on Fridays excluding bank holidays for a period of two years from when the return was received. The price for copies is 20 pence per side.

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Or you could do what I do, and like old cars too much. Occasionally this works a treat, because it means that for a fraction of the £10,195 a showroom fresh Picanto costs you can have a whole fleet of cars that are faster, roomier and far more likely to attract knowing nods at car shows.

It also means that you're doing your bit to preserve the nation's heritage, and you're saving the world's resources by sparing a carmaker the bother of building a brand new one from scratch. But it also means you're worryingly likely to end up in the conumdrum I did the other day, when the 21-year-old Toyota Avensis that I'd taken to a car show ended up above a small, rainbow-coloured lake when it decided to dump virtually all of its 10w/40 through a hairline crack in a split pipe running to its oil cooler. One AA get-you-home repair later and it's now facing a £400-plus bill to nurse it back to health – a bit depressing, when the car itself only cost a grand.

Normally I'd just leave it at that and resort to the Volkswagen Polo MkII that I've been running around in over the last few months.

It's even older, marking its 28th birthday this year, but with sweet handling, plenty of visibility and the ability to suckle 48 miles out of a gallon I'd happily recommend it as a commuting charity. Except that it's off the road too, at another garage, because it's awaiting a new fuel tank.

Not to worry. I can just drop the roof down on my Mazda MX-5, which is still one of the most entertaining and beautifully balanced cars you can pick up for under £1500 and – crucially – is most definitely *not* broken.

It works a treat, but the problem with owning multiple cars is that invariable you have MoTs creeping up on you on multiple occasions throughout the year, and the Mazda's is due next Wednesday. So it might be working now, but chances are it won't be in a few days' time.

All of which leaves the Reliant Scimitar, which is working just fine but normally struggles to top 25 to the gallon on account of its three-litre Ford V6 – so spot on for sunny drives in the countryside, but not exactly ideal for daily commuting.

So, for someone who normally has four cars at his disposal, I've ended up doing the drive to work in a borrowed, J-registered Mitsubishi Galant.

Do I mind? Not even slightly, because I love all of these old cars far more than I ever could an entry-level family car. It's just not remotely sensible, that's all.

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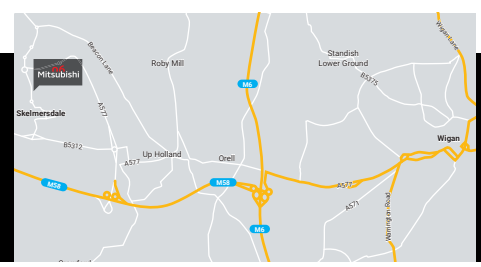

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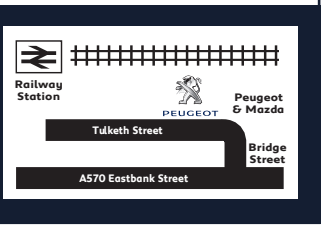

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Linnets prepare for Congleton clash as they look for vital three points

BURSCOUGH were without a fixture last weekend but they return to action this Saturday with a home match against Congleton Town.

Burscough, who are under serious pressure to up their game to avoid relegation, face a Congleton side who are not exactly breaking records.

Congleton lost 2-1 at Skelmersdale last week, so the Linnets must have a real shout of a fifth league win of the season.

Skem, meanwhile, are expecting a record attendance at the JMO Sports Park this Saturday, with league leaders 1874 Northwich predicted to bring up to a couple of hundred spectators with them.

Burscough will be without forward George Lomax who is reportedly doing well in his recovery from a broken leg.

However manager Nick Matthews has been busy bringing in new signings, forward Dale Korie-Butler from Widnes and fellow forward Joel Douglas who has spent over 12 months with Skelmersdale United. Korie-Butler netted on his debut at Ashton Athletic last week.

Skelmersdale have won all the three home games they have played at since returning home but just as important is the tremendous welcome they have had.

They have averaged 210 spectators per game, which is among the top figures in the North West Counties League and on a par with the gates they got in Northern Premier League days.

They are looking for sponsorship and local businesses who wish to form a partnership will be made very welcome. They are advised to phone 07949 582262 and there are a number of packages available.

Burscough have a midweek game next week when they entertain promotion challengers Longridge Town at Victoria Park on Tuesday, January 28, kick off 7.45pm.

Korie-Butler nets on his debut - but Linnets still lose

Ashton Athletic 3
Burscough 1

A DEBUT goal for Dale Korie-Butler wasn't enough as Burscough lost away at Ashton Athletic on Tuesday, January 14.

The striker, who used to play for Ashton Athletic, as well as St Helens Town and Widnes, wasted no time in scoring for his new club.

The home side took the lead on 45 minutes when Adam Gilchrist found the net before they doubled their lead after the break when Joe Nicholson headed home from a corner on 60 minutes.

However, Burscough hit back almost immediately when Korie-Butler netted on his debut to give the Linnets hope of getting something from the game.

Their hopes were dashed on 70 minutes when Gilchrist got his second goal of the game to make it 3-1 to Ashton Athletic.

Wasteful Skem made to pay for missed chances

Squires Gate 3
Skelmersdale United 1

SKELMERSDALE United were made to pay on Saturday for missing a series of chances as they were beaten away at Squires Gate, *writes Neil Leatherbarrow*.

In his post match interview, manager Paul McNally said: "After the first-half we could have gone in three or four one up. We were just wasteful with chances, we have had more chances in that first-half than we have had in our last six games."

Skem had started well and striker Richard Brodie had the ball in the net in the opening ten minutes but his goal was wiped out by a raised flag for offside.

Soon afterwards the hosts served a warning of what they were capable of when Dean Ing held the ball up well before laying it back and allowing James Boyd a shooting chance that he put over the crossbar.

In the 19th minute Squires Gate delivered on their next good move. It was Ing that was the executioner instead of the supplier. Gary Pett helped the ball on and put Ing into the clear and as Ben Barnes left his line to close him down Ing was able to lift the ball over him and into the net to make it 1-0.

Barnes made one excellent save from a header that would have made it 2-0, but Skem equalised after being behind for just ten minutes.

Squires Gate struggled to clear their lines and defender Ben Stanton took advantage stabbing the ball into the net after a scramble in the home goalmouth.

Before the interval Skem had opportunities an open goal was missed and some last gasp defending kept them out, they had some good openings but didn't convert.

It might even have been 2-1 to Squires Gate but Pett volleyed over the Skem crossbar in the latter stages.

After having the edge in the first-half Skelmersdale had to concede after the interval as Barnes soon made a good save from Pett, followed by a rebound attempt that Skem managed to clear.

In the 54th minute Squires Gate took the lead for the second time. A Josh Westwood header struck the Skelmersdale crossbar and the loose ball dropped to Cameron Gourley whose header went into the net.

In the 72nd minute a difficult task for Skem became almost impossible. Jake Higham was pulled down in the box and the referee pointed for a penalty, midfielder Boyd putting the spot kick away.

Skelmersdale had pulled back from three goals down earlier in the season at home to the same opposition and may have thought a repeat was on the cards for a while, but Squires Gate had other ideas and despite Skem pushing hard to get back into the game, they were dealt with competently.

Paul McNally added: "They played a pressing game after the restart and scored, we never got going in the second half. That's what happens in football, if you don't take your chances, you don't win and credit to them in the second half."

Ellis strikes late winner to complete comeback

Skelmersdale United 2
Congleton Town 1

A LATE strike from Gabriel Ellis secured three points for Skelmersdale United on Tuesday, January 14 after they came from behind to beat Congleton Town, *writes Simon Driscoll*.

Paul McNally included dual-registration Josh Klein Davies in the line-up while giving a first experience on the bench to Academy midfielder Ged Traynor.

The first chance of the evening saw Ben Barnes claiming low from a Daniel Cope effort before Lee Cropper fired over after collecting Kyle Diskin's low cross.

Congleton were soon fortunate not to suffer a blow as a dangerous sliding tackle from Josh Ryder saw an advantage played with Croughan drawing a strong stop from Craig Ellison.

The best chances of the evening for both sides came in a matter of minutes, Town's Arron Johns looked to curl an effort into the top corner but was denied by a good save from Barnes and Croughan saw a shot cannon back off the post after cutting inside from good space.

Congleton were gifted the chance to go into the interval ahead as a collision between Barnes and Daniel Cope saw the referee award a penalty, Cope stepped up and slotted past Barnes for a 1-0 lead into half-time.

Ellis strikes late to win it for Skem. Picture by John Driscoll

The visitors almost received a second gift early in the second half as Johns capitalised on a tame header by Ben Stanton and advancing on goal he laid off for Cope who could only fire high over the target.

Congleton continued to pressure with an overhead flick from Cope beating Barnes at the near post but to United's relief, it was cleared off the line by substitute Jordan Tyrer. United went achingly close to levelling minutes late with a shot from Sam Byrne superbly by Ellison who saw Adegbenro head inches past the post from a tight angle.

United's attacking pressure soon paid off though as they drew level on 69 minutes, Klein-Davies' perfectly weighted through pass found the path of ex-Town forward Adegbenro who collected and slotted past Ellison to make it 1-1.

The equaliser seemed to spur United on with three superb chances to go ahead, Croughan's effort achingly cannoning back off the post before Klein-Davies' beat Ellison twice in a matter of minutes, the first effort going over from a chip before he smashed a shot against the bar.

United finally went ahead and did so with a slice of luck on 88 minutes. Croughan tried his luck from distance with a thundering shot which stung the palms of Ellison and fell kindly for substitute Gabriel Ellis to fire past him into the net for 2-1.

Ellis came close to a second goal in added time as he forced a near post stop from Ellison from a tight angle.

The final whistle minutes later saw United wrap up a 2-1 victory that ensured they remain with a perfect record of three wins in three games in their new home.

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